

	No. 6270 號十上百二千 SHIPPING		HONGKONG, THUESDAY, JANUARY 3R		潜香 [Price \$2] Per Month.
	ARRIVALS.  December 31, Jesse Jameson, British - V	NOTICES OF FIRMS. TO BE LET  NOTICE  NOTICE  TO LET  TREDWIN MACKINTOSH bas been LEOUSE No. 10, ALBAN	FUENITURE SALE. HO	INTIMATIONS: INTIMATIONS ONGROUND, CANTON, AND MACAG FOR SAIGON.	
	bark, 504, G. West, Cardiff 14th July, in Coals.—Douglas Larlain & Co. January 1, Magran, Spanish steamer, 371,	HONGKONG, CHINA, and JAPAN "BISNER VILLA" POBUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. nished.	H. KIDD ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been in- structed to Sell by Public Auction at the Residence of Lieut. W. Movers. H. M. 28th	NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. "GOLDEN HORN, Captain Geo Alton, will be desput	abad on the FILLBATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.
	Erquiaga, Manila 29th Dec., Tobacco.  J. Y. V. Shaw.  January 2, Ninero, British steamer, 762,	NOTICE. THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. Swire.  Swire.  Swire.	THIS DAY,  THERPIELD and the 3rd January, 1878 at 2 r.m. — the  The whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNI- Cor	YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in Company will be held at the Office of the For Freight or Passage, apply to many, No. 50A, Queen's Road, on FRIDAY.	THIS EVENING.
		HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co Hongkong, 31st December, 1877. [76] Hongkong, 1sth October, 18	77. [11] GLASS, CROCKERY, and PLATED WARE, of the BEDSTEADS, WARDROBES, MIRRORS, Acc	the Directors, together with a Statement of FOR NINGPO AND SHA	raya West.  [90] PROFESSOR THORN,  NGHAL Artist to His Majesty the Emperor of Germany.
•	. A North Called the Mark that the beautiful of the beautiful to the constant of the beautiful to the constant	NOTICE.  R. H. F. MEYERINK has been admitted THE DWELLING HOLD BY A PARTNER in one Firm from this in the locoupation of HERBERT to.	ISE at West &c. &c. Dir	rector and Auditors.  By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. DA COSTA, Hopkins, Moster, will be despate	shed for the . Europe, and by all the Governors of
	Co. January 2, Venior, Brit. str., 1,271, P. L. Rhode, Calcutta 17th December, Penang	MEYER & Co.  Hougkong, 1st January, 1878.  [3m74] thoroughly, repaired known  NOTICE.  BUILDINGS, adjoining the Con	USES (recently with all faults and errors of description, at pur- as FLETCHER'S chasers risk on the fall of the hammer. HO trel Department. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,	Longkong, 2nd January, 1878 198 above Ports TO DAY, the 3rd inst For Freight or Passage, apply to	ant, at 4 P.M. India, will appear in his
	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.  January 2, Hochung, Chinese steamer, 850, SI  Peterson, Shanghai 28th Dec., General, G.	HAVE This Day established myself at this They may be occupied as enti- Port as a MERCHANT and COMMIS in Flats, and would be suitak ON AGENT, under the Style or Firm of Boarding Establishment. EO R STEVENS & Co., who will hence SPACIOUS GRANITE A	Ic for a Mess or Hongkong, let January, 1878. [81]	NOTICE. FOR SHANGHAI.  THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company	PHENOMENA OF MODERN SPIRIT  MEDIA.
***	January 2, Holyrood, British steamer, 333, 817 Peters, Haiphong 28th Doc., Hohow	ward conduct the Agency of the Australa. DOWNS, connected with the An Steam Navidation Company. the Harbour and Queen's Road. Apply to Hongkong, 29th December, 1877.	Stabling. WESSRS. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Stabling. will Sell by Public Auction, in their 25th Bales Rooms, Prays.	will be CLOSED from the 12th to the hay of January instant, both days inclusive. S. Orr, Muster, will be despatched Port TO-DAY, the 3rd instant, at P. A. DA COSTA. For Freight or Passage, apply to	4 P.M. T.O. W. T. III. C. T. O. N. T.
	January 2, Acuitles, British steamer, 1,525, Anderson, Liverpool Nov. 7th, Singapore 24th Dec., General.—Butterind	R BERNHARD PHILIPP SCHMACKER is Hongkers, 17th September	the 4th January, 1878, at Noon,— STEEL PENS, PENHOLDERS, Invoice E, 1877. [26] CLIPS, Paper BINDERS, MICROSCOPES,	Secretary.  Iongkong, 2nd January, 1878.  FOR SAIGON.	EN & Co. One of the following Experiments will be per- formed at the conclusion of every  Entertainment
	& Swine January 2, Rajanattianohae, Britishetr., Car 988, Hopkine, Canton January 1st.—	ration.	PANIONS, DOLLS, TOYS, BUSTS, PAD- Er, lately in the LOCKS, Japanese FAN KNIVES, BEANS, CHAMPAGNE, and Sundry FURNITURE.	ESTABLISHED 1865.  WMAHARAJAH  will be despatched for the above	THORN'S FLYING HOLLANDIASE CAGE;  MARVELLOUS DISAPPEARING OF THE CAGE.  WITH CANABIES AND THE RE-APPEARING  VO Port on IN FULL VIEW OF THE AUDIENCE.
	Siemssen & Co. January 2, Bombay, British steamer, 832, III. K. T. Briscoe, Yokohama 25th December, III.	NOTICE.  The BUNGALOW, No. 17 STREET Apply to Apply to	WELLINGTON And at 1 o'clock, at the Office of H. Kings-DIS  MILL, Esq., Club Chambers,—  Sundry OFFICE FURNITURE, comprising	SPENSING CHEMIST & DRUGGIST, SATURDAY, the 5th instant, at For Freight or Passage, apply to Passage, and Town Bonk	THORN'S MEDIUM SECURED IN THE SACK OF THE COUNT DE MONTE CHRISTO."
+	Mails & General—P. & O. Co. 6ur 187 ULEARANCES. has	FIRM CEASED on the 31st December, 77; and Mr. RUDOLPH BUSCHMANN This Day been admitted a PARTNER Prein, which now consists of Mr. EDUARD With Possession 1st Se	77. [37 SHELVES, FENDER and IRONS, &c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c.	REQUISITES.  Hongkong, 3rd January, 1878.  FOR SAN FRANCISC NUFACTURER OF ALL KINDS OF THE A1 British Clipper Ship	Preced AND RESTORTED HIS GAIN
	JANUARY 2ND.  Esmeralda, British steamer, for Manila.  Menelaus, British steamer, for London.  Ho	HELLHASS, Mr. LUDWIG BEYER, and Mr. OUSES, Nos. 4 and 5, Fed DOLPH BUSCHMANN.  EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co. Apply to LANE. CRAW	chasers' rick on the fall of the hammer.  Hongkong, 3rd January, 1878 [100] P	AFRATED WATERS.  "CILURNUM," "HYSICIANS" PRESCRIPTIONS CAREFULLY Shrewsbury, Commander, has spl.  PREPARED modation for Cabin Passengers.	"NEW LIGHT SEANCES." "THE MEDIUM FLYING IN THE AIR AND TAKING THE CABINET WITH HIM."
	Inchy, Siameie bark, for Bangkok.  Altona, German steamer, for Shanghai	1st January, 1878. [1m80 Hongkong, 31st July, 1877.  NOTICE: TO LET. THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. A FIRST-CLASS GRANI	THE GODOWN LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.	Strict accordance with the Formula of the Apply to Captain, on heard or WILLI British Pharmacopocia.  Hopekong 29th December 1877	to . "THE SPIRITS SUPERSEDED."  ER & Co "INEXPLICATE BLOOD WRITING."  gents. "CLAIRVOYANCE OF ANTI-SPIRITUAL
	Parsee, British steamer, for Hiogo.	F. RAPP in our Firm CEASED from Apply to  Apply to  F. BLACKHEAD & Co.  Hongkong, 1st October, 1877.  Fim1488 Hongkong, 1st March, 1877.	HANT & Co.  TAN HOBOKEN'S AVH GIN.	IP AND FAMILY MEDICINE CHESTS  Supplied and cofitted.  PASSENGER SHIPS SUPPLIED.  THE Rubstline Steamer	Professor Thorn has been presented with letters, expressing approbation of his Entertainments by 22 reigning Emperors and Princes of
	DEPARTUBES.	HAVE THIS DAY established myself at A CABINET PIANO	LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., N Special Agents.	B.—All business communications should be "INDIA" ressed VICTORIA DISPENSARY. 185 1,700 tons capacity, will be desp	ours are all l'Entertainments at Simia under my natronage "
	Bangkok. January 2, Sunda, Brit. steamer, for Yeko-Pana.	WEST POINT IRON WORKS, and in good condition. Must be a condition on the condition of the c	LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., A Special Agents.  The Tubord's Danish Beer.	CHEE AND COMPANY, Genoa, and Marseilles, on WEDN 20th of February, and has room for CHEAPEST HOUSE IN HONGKONG for every ing a Surgeon and Stewardess.	r Cargo and was much pleased with his Performances and think him a remarkably skilful and graceful Professor of Legerdemain.
	January 2, Tiese, French str., for Shanghai. January 2, Washi, British str., for Haiphong. January 2, Mizzapore, British steamer, for Shaobai	WILLIAM DUNPHY & CO., Hongkong, Sist December, It is Manager of the Novelty Iron Works, Hongkong.	C O. CURCIER AND ADET'S CLARETS.	HOUSEHOLD EURNITURE, travellers for visiting the chief por interrupting the voyage at Naples	portunity to Government House, Simla, 8th June, 1877."  Whence the Prices of Admission.
	January-2, T. A. Goddard, American bark, I for New York. January 2, Esmeralda, British steamer, for	WM. DUNPHY.  Have received by the French I Congkong, 10th December, 1877 [6m1810 "FERONIA," and other is NOTICE.  A Choice Assortment of GOOI	Brecial Agents.  PLA Descriveds, Secondary blended for	HEARTHRUGS, MIRBORS, ENGRAVINGS,  PAINTINGS STATUETTES &c.  State may be continued to Guillo as without payment of additional Pass.  Without payment of additional Pass.  the Company's Steamors running but sen the different ports of Italy	To all Parts of the House. TWO DOLLARS.  Seats can now be secured at Messrs. Lang.  CRAWFORD & Co.'s, where a plan of the House
	Manila. January 2, A nov. British steamer, for Canton. A	Mr. L. JUEDELL is authorized to SIGN MERINOS, DAMASKS, &c.,	OLOURED VERY FINE OLD RYE WHISKY, A-1	House of any Dimensions Completely Fur-Ports should be timely addressed to nished at a Day's notice.  Signed, who are prepared to effect ment at reduced rates.	the Under- Doors open at 8.30 p.m.: Gammence at 9 p.m. precisely.
	PASSENCERS.  ARRIVED.	watew-Heihow, 1st October, 1877. [3m1508] CLOTH JACKETS. VELVET and SEALSKIN The "Dame Trot." HAT, w	JACKETS.  SHERRIES, bottled by  LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  HOICEST PURE PORT, direct from	50, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.  For Freight or Passage, and all ticulars, apply to REME BROTHER	For Particulars, see Programmes and Hand Bills
	Mr. McCormack and 80 Chinese.  Per Mactan, str., from Manila:—  1 European.	the 1st July, 1877. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co PLUSH SCARVES for He	FEATHERS. CHAWFORD & Co.  TR. TB. CHAWFORD & Co.  TR. TB. TB. CHAWFORD & Co.  TR. TB. TB. TB. TB. TB. TB. TB. TB. TB. TB	FRENCH GOODS 95]	Hongkong, 31st December, 1877. [67] NO & Co., HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY.
	Leabin and 120 Chinese.  For Hochung etc., from Shanghai  Rev. W. and Mrs. Mitchell and 58 Chinese.	NOTICE, a scription.  HAVE This Day established myself at this EVENING DRESSES, in Port as a GENERAL COMMISSION TULLE, SILK, &c.	TARLATAN Specially for LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. for	out for Vichy Waters and Special Agent WARDROOM PINAUD'S PERFUNES and ANTOINE'S INKS. Apply on board. Despatch is nece	MESSMAN, will take place on THURSDAY, the 10th
	Per Holyrood, str., from Haiphong:— AG Mr. Schriever and 38 Chinese. Per Achilles, str., from Liverpool, &c.:— F Mr. J. F. Minnda and 200 Chinese.	The NEW GALON and FEA  J. Y. VERNON SHAW.  MINGS, all Shedes.  A Choice Assertment of FRI  also the NEW FAN-HOLDE!	ENCH FANS; LETTS'S DIARIES, for 1878.  LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.	44, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.  CORNER HOUSE in Moson with Immediate Possessi	in the North of CHINA.  Hongkong, 19th December, 1877. [56]
	Per Hombay, str., from Yokohama — Dr. Wood, R.N., Mr. Campion, R.N. Mr. Maries, and 19 Chinese.	CONGRANG ASHANGHAI BANKING LACE SETS.  COMPORATION.  LADIES' and CHILDREN SHOPS	SLINEN and CILBER LAMPS	GOMPRADORE AND GENERAL SHARP, TOLLER, AND J. STOREKEEPER, NOTICE.	TOMOTONO
	Per Menelaus str., for Singapore, &c. — RE Mrs. Stolze and son. The following passengers will depart to day	ID-UP CAPTIAL	OVES. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., S	HIPS AND PRIVATE FAMILIES SUPPLIED QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.	reigned have D_to No_13, THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL,
1	sunders. From Shanghai for Southampton E. B.	Chairman—H. Hoppius, Esq. Brown, &c.  Deputy Chairman—F. D. Sabsoon, Esq. SEALSKIN and SMOKING  Bellios Esq. A. McIver, Esq. Hendries' and Piver's	CAPS. KEATING'S COUGH LOZENGES.	THE BEST PROVISIONS.  H Y O N.  SHIPS: COMBRANCE TENDERS will be a	January 12th, 1878,  When will be presented a Comedy, entitled  "NINE POINTS OF THE LAW,"  eccived up to be followed by a Farce by CR Strey Fig.
	or Southam pton.—Mr. Cooper.	H. Forbes, Esq. Wilhelm Reiners, Esq. SOAPS, &c. L. W. Keswick. Ed. Tobin, Esq. A good Assortment of FANC  Hongkong—Thomas Jackson, Esq. CHRISTMAS PRESENT:	KEATING'S COUGH LOZENGES (recognised and AND NEW recommended by the Medical Faculty). No . 9	SHIPS' COMPRADORE AND the 6th of January, 1878, I CHASE of 166 (One bundred a picule of Brown Dr. MER. Also thousand seven hundred and sixt	or the Pus- entitled d sixty-six) 9.761 (Three BOOTS AT THE SWAN."
	REPORTS. The British steamer Maharajak reports left Lor Inton on 1st Junuary, and had thick fog broughout.	Shanghai—Ewen Cameron, Esq. YEARS' GIFT:	other remedy is half so effective. One Lozenge CO alone gives relief. They contain no Opium,  Morphia nor any violent drag, and may be	AL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH OLD COPPER, 1,031 (One thousand PROVISIONS, and OHMAN'S (Ten) Tons of OLD IRON	d and thirty. FORD & Co.'s on and after WEDNESDAY, 2nd January.
	The British lark Jessie Jamieson reports left 1 pe	On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of CUEEN'S ROA On Fixed Deposits — Hongkong 29th November 1:	time ensures rest when troubled by the throat. Of the Sold by all Chemists, in Bottles. [48:1775]	the Best Quality and at the Shortest Notice. the German Schooner "Tururla."  Longkong, January 1st, 1878. [82 Separate Tenders if suitable.	CHAS. C. COHEN.  CHAS. C. COHEN.  Honekong, 1st January, 1878.
	The British steamer Bombay reports left Yokohama on 25th December, and had light N.E. vinds from Yokohama to China Coast from	For 5 months 2 per cent. per annum.  For 6 months 4 per cent. per annum.  For 12 months 5 per cent. per annum.  Local Bills Discounted.  NE CUTTER, Four WH	AP. 57, CARTER LANE, ST. PAUL'S,  LONDON, E.C., HEY	COAL MEECHANTS,  re always on hand for SALE every description of COAL at Moderate Prices.  Hongkong, 91st December, 1877  A L G A R,	NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.
<b>&gt;</b> <	The British steamer Amoy reports left Shang: busing on 29th December, and had thick weather all	ry description of Banking and Exchange Also Two Powerful CRA nad Eight Pairs Large Size I	Granting Drafts, and presenting Commercial and Bills for Acceptance and Payment. For Buying to COW-LIGHTS, English Goods at a very Small Commission, and will	receive immediate attention	OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. O., ONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer
	he way. Thick fogs from Lammocks. Anchored com I Nine Pins 5 pm., arrived this morning 10,30. Am The Chinese steamer Hodung reports left Offi	erics, China-and Japan.  P. JACKSON, Chief Manager.	forwarding Goods to any place in England or the Continent."  TRONG,  We beg to draw your attention to a very important English Invention we have on hand viz	Longkong, January 1st, 1878. [83 MOURNING STATIONED MONUMENTS ERECTED MONUMENTS ERECTED S. HOLLYWOOD ROOM	are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at
S T	continuous on 28th December, and first part fresh corthorly wind and clear; latter part light airs of the continuous for 36 hours east of Nine Pins.	No. 1. Queen's Road East,  Hongkong, 16th August, 1877.  HARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUS.  HONGKONG, 18th December, 1877.  WELLINGTON STREET, E	HOTEL, OF LARGE SIZES, COMPINED WITH AN Chi-	ards February, in the Straits Settlements, INHE SALE by Public Auc na, or Japan. Can instruct thoroughly in GROUND and BUILDING	tion of the delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 3rd January, 1878.  Goods undelivered after the 8th January.
	The Spanish steamer Mactan reports left CA	PITAL £800,000 TIEFIN AT ONE. DINNER SERVE FUND £110,000 Wines, Spirits &c., of the Be	Military Men, Travellers, Invalids, for use in M. Hospitals, &c., &c. possessing amongst others Con t Quality only, the following advantages:—It is the finest sub- mad	B. care of W. T. FRASER, Esq., H.B.M. Private Offers can be made to spl. Batavia, to whom reference can be TANE, CRAWFO	RD & Co. 1878, will be subject to Rent.  BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.  Hougkong, 2nd January, 1878. [1883]
o I	hored there for four hours, then proceeded to longkong.	Bankers English French, and Germ THE BANK OF ENGLAND. BILLIARDROOMS—BOWL THE CITY BANK. HONGKONG HOT E NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.	INGALLEYS lowered at any time with the greatest case. It will pack up in a very small compass, and can be CLI	VANTED, by a Young Man at present — Hongkong, 25th December, 1877  In Bombay, an ENGAGEMEAT AS GERMAN STEAMER "A  ERK or BOOKKEEPER in a house in MULTER Master FROM L.	LTONA." NDON
) L	The British steamer, Achilles reports left Liver.	你就要要你说,我还有这个人的,我还没有到这个人的,我们不知道,我一个说话的。我的一个人,这一个人的话,我 <b>不要把我们的事情,我们</b> 我们,这就是一个人的第三人称单位	in the Allegarian of the Color of the Carlo and the Carlo	os in India. Can leave India in January. PENANG, AND SINGAP	

	- NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES:
HOUSE AND ESTATE AGENT,	AARLAY ORDA MATTE AARTS AARTS
RENTS COLLECTED.	OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
BROWN, JONES & CO., UNDERTAKERS.	CONSIGNEES per Company's Steam
URNING STATIONERY, &c.	"ACHILLES"
Monthernies Reserves	are hereby notified that the Cargo is being
9. HOLLYWOOD ROOD.	charged into Craft, and landed at the Godowns

having arrived from the above Ports. Consignees ONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above of Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of ture, and to take immediate delivery of their Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and exnense, uninsured against fire. JARDINE MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1878. FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE

HE Steamship having arrived. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence of from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 6th

January will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ... JARDINE MATHESON & Co. Agents Steamship "Malabar."

Hongkong, 31st December, 1877 .-STEAMSHIP "TIGRE." COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE. CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steemship "EUPHRATE! from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their floods are being landed and stored at their rise in the MONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo svill be forwarded on unless take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been intamation is received from the Consignees before TO-DAY, the 31st instant, at 4 P.M. requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countered by the

Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after MON. DAV, the 7th January, at Noon, will be sub. ject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Hongkong, 31st December.

. The British steamer Holgrood reports left ONOTICE Haiphong on the 29th December, arrived at Haihow on the 30th Left Haihow on the 31st Dec. OOKBINDING IN ALL ITS BRANCHES OTEL FRANCE A 1 S and anchored 5 miles inside the Ladrones on socount of a dense fog, on the 1st January. Light "DATOY PRESS" OFFICE. S.E. breeze fine clear weather till about 40 miles S.W. of the Ladrones, when a dense fog came Bookbinding in every Style by Competen down. On the 30th passed the Conquest in the Workmen on the Premises. Mainan Straits on the 31st at Tays Island Music bound in Elegant Bindings. passed the W. Cores de Vries, both bound west

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AUCTION SALES TO-DAY

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for throughout. Anchored at 9 o'clock p.m., le

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periods on terms which may be ascertained on

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE Oct. 21 COMPANY AT HAMBURG. Agents to the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Oct. 23 Company, are prepared to GRANT IN SURANCES to the extent of \$65,000, on first class risks at current rates. MELCHERS & Co. Hongkong, 27th March, 1876.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Grant L Agent in Hongkong for the above-named QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY Agent, Sun Fire Office. Hongkong, 4th October, 1876.

SUN FIRE OFFICE

NENDERS are invited for a LEASE of the The BANE'S BEANCH in HONGKONG grants L. HONGKONG HOTEL, the present Five-Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial yearly Lease expiring on the 31st August, 1878, the amount of your order to places in Enrope and the East; buys and re-SEALED TENDERS to be sent in on or be 6m1176 W. CRAWFORD AND Co. ceives for cellection Bills of Exchange; and fore the 31st March, 1878, to the SECRETARY of NOTICE 1 conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange the Hongkong Hotel Company, LIMITED, who will supply any information required. By Order of the Directors.

LOUIS HAUSCHILD. Hongkong, 15th September, 1877.

The Undersigned begs to call the attention of his Patrons and the Public in general that Office of the SHANGHAI STEAM-NAVI. having returned to the Management of the above Hotel, into which he has introduced sunday reforms and advantages hitherto not existing in same, he offers the best Hotel in the Islands QUARITY OF MATERIALS AND WORKMANSHIP of the favours of Persons visiting Manila.

BILLIARDS BATHS CARRIAGES. LALA ARI. Manila, 15th November, 1877. PHŒNIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

THE Undersigned having been appointed Fire to the extent of \$40,000, on Buildings or on Goods stored therein DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, 9th November, 1868 THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE

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PRICE FROM 158, TO 858 EACH, 1 When ordering the above article, please remit

J. THOMAS, the English SUB-MARINE DIVER, has all the Appliances ready for Wrecking. Salvage Opera-tions undertaker, and Property recovered from Wrecks up to Twenty-Five fathoms. Temporary Address, care of P. and O. Office,

Hongkong, 2nd November, 1877. NOTICE.

GATION COMPANY, in Liquidation. SECOND RETURN of CAPITAL, at the rate of FIVE TABLE per SHARE will most Moderate Charges, combined with best be made to Sharebelders of record on the 1st Articles in Wines, &c., &c.; all of which enables October, payable at the Office of the Liquidators. In Re GEORGE GRAHAM, A BANKRUPT. joyed, and for which best thanks are tendered. Warrants will be delivered by the Undersigned TOTICE is hereby given that a Meeting of will henceforth be such as to merita continuance to Shareholders or their lawful concentratives. will henceforth be such as to merita continuance to Shareholders or their lawful representatives GRAHAM will be held pursuant to the 15 lat on presentation of Share Certificates for andorse-A ARI
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company Srd day of January, 1878, at 11 o'clock in the [2m1734] will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 8th Island Soromon, before me, the Honouroble CHARLES Inclusive.

BUSH PLUNKET, Registrar of the Supreme

RUSSELL & Co., Liquidators Shanghal, 2nd October, 1877. BOYAL INSURANCE COMPANY Prove will be excluded from the benefit of any Dividend that may be declared, and all Claims Company, are prepared to GRANT IN. not proved will be disallowed.

[22 SURANCES at Current Rates. MELCHERS & Co. Agents, Royal Insurance Company. 1874 Hongkong, 27th March, 1876.

Hongkong, January, 1876.

Hongkong Daily Press Office.

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DENTAL NOTICE.

R. STOUT expects to Leave Hongkong

DENTAL NOTICE.

R. ROGERS begs to intimate that he has

RETURNED and is now RELDY to

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HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

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Hongkong, 23rd May, 187%

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January, 1878.

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All letters for publication should be written on one ide of the paper only. At Hongkong, on the 23rd December, the wife Major S. G. HURKISSON, A.D.C., 80th Regiment, of At the Oriental Hotel, at 2 A.M. on the 81st Decem.

On the 22nd December, at St. John's Cathedral, by the Rev. E. Davys. G. E. J. Place, Master Mariner, of Sydney, N.S.W., to JANET MAY, second daughter of W. Roele, of Naira, Scotland.

DEATH.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 3RD, 1878.

England have had some field days lately last English mail contain reports of a lecture by Professor Sheldon Amos and another by him to carry on this work urges that the Spa-Sir Edward Fry both on the onum trade. "The Professor brought forward theusual stale accusations against the British Government, but failed to adduce any new or sound argument in support of his views. He fell into one very serious error, however, which to be an authority upon the opium question. for Canton but yesterday morning at seven charter party he was bound under another clause had men. They say at first at the South-Gote learning of the West were originally derived a control of the Canton What and to go elsewhere to get a cargo homewords, though nearly all were from Shanghai, but they gra- modification of the Christian religion became arose to the human race from the practical arrived hero on Monday afternoon at the usual Baron Kelly points out that the words "and (changing of men) partly accounts for their style pensation), whilst Romanism and Protestantism, is injurious, but it is quite another thing Macao, which was due here on Tuesday morn liability. In this case the voyago is described as who did friendly deeds for him in administering loping the principles upon which it is based. smoke, not to eat. We have never heard o'clock p.m. on the lat instant and proceeded for the words "and outwards." Mr. Johnson cashiered because they say his titles to rank were aggrandisement of the communion; an example of a Chinaman being addicted to eating slowly owing to a thick fog. She suchored cited the case of Perkins v. Pustau, tried in this not good. N. C. Daily News Correspondent. it is represented they are compelled by treaty to Hongkorg. to purchase. We have a right to ask at least that the opium merchants in China should that the opium merchants in China should rejoicings. The bells of St. John's Cathedral accurate reports of the judgment, the words were between three and four millions. This year's through the country no restrictions being laid the accurate reports of such unfounded charges. were rung, and those of most of the ships in "In chartering outwards in Hongkong, the cap harvest has also been small in the Southern pro- in China upon any form of worship and belief. fail, it would have to be made up from other the so far beyond competition on account of its the ships were very fine, while the blue lights Perhaps I put too narrow a construction on the by a few months. It would therefore be advis. Fo lin (the Byzantine Empire), this in itself putity and flavour that it is in such favour with the Chinese consumers. With regard to stonger particularly good. She was right, the captain was hable to pay commission, white cotton cloth to Korea. Owing to the cross was suspended to determine the cardinal the effects of oping smoking, it has again and illuminated from store to stern with Chinese as the ship left under charter. The words in this drought the past year has been one of great point and hence has arisen the veneration lanterns, and on each side of the paddle-byr were case, if the ship leaves in ballast no charge to secretly, and numbers have falles victims to of the cross by the Romish Church. In again been shown by medical evidence that doubtedly injurious; but, as with alcohol, greens. Several ships in harbour were decorated here if say such contract existed or would be seek in the spring and autumn. A woman living ing any injurious consequences. It was not put? we have for right to deprive the many of

the sale of the drug. In the liquor traffic | Mr. Gifford Palgrave, British Confulnt Manill there are all sorts of meretricious side to its sale, while the liquor itself is constantly dients. The Indian opium is always sold sequently, there is no possible doubt that M. Componies had the trade. it would be far more extensively doctored. Due of Mesers, Danmert, Atkinson & Co. s of it. To the other oft-repeated argu-EDWARD FRY it is superfluous to reply. The ingrabout near his lest, and upon inspection he British Government will, we fancy be slow to make up its mind to such a sacrifico of truder. The reptile has been accommodated with revenue for an idea as would be involved in a wittle and some spints giving up the cultivation of the drug in India, especially at the call of a few noisy declaimers. It is all vory well for men of Orders for Copies should be forwarded Early this stamp to get up and advocate sweeping to the Publisher, Paily Press Office, or to the changes where they have no stake and no responsibility, but it is a very thing different for a Government, responsible for its acts to

the nation to undertake to carry out such

ibdeantea.

SHEN PACCHEN, the Viceroy of Nanking, who has lately rendered himself notorious by his action in closing the Shanghai and Woosung Railway, has always sethis face against the practice of opium smoking. When appointed to his present office he speedily commenced a faid upon the opium shops in Nanking, and closed a great number. He has ever since shown strong antagonism towards the practice, and the fulmination of the last Imperial Decree against opium smoking has given him an opportunity for the exercise of his zeal in the cause. He has lately to the jury to formally open the natury and franc, the property of Augusto Antony Genegliat, come down upon some of his subordinates adjournit, as it was mail day. The inquest was chief-officer of the Messagerles Maritimes teamer with a heavy hand. On his recommendation, the Taota of Hwai-ngan and Yang-chow, an expectant taotai, the Magistrate of Sultsien, and two expectant magistrates, have all been This is a mild sentence, considering that the law makes opium smoking by soldiers or officials an offence punishable by death, but these are probably the first sufferers and hence the leniency shown. It is very unlikely, however that Shen's example will be followed by other Viceroys and Governors, for doubt the crusade undertaken by the Vicethey will immediately build hopes for the inquiry until this day, at three o'clock p.m. future upon it. But we would warn them not to be too sanguine. The zeal of a Chinese official rarely lasts, and even though his energy remains unabated, his example does not prove contagious, and the Government of Peking never acts without a good deal of rousing. The decree evoked by Kwon Sung-TAO's memorial is not likely to have

We would remind our readers that Professor Thorn, the Royal Illusionist and prestidigitateur, will give his first performance at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, this evening, when he will perform a number of astonuling feats which are entire novelties in Hongkong.

any very lasting effect. Like hundreds of

others, it will soon be suffered to fall into

On Tuesday morning the British bark Jessie Jamieson, Captain G. West, arrived here from Cardiff with coal-five months and seventeen days out, with a part of her crewsuffering from scurvy, On the same afternoon Charles Schmidt native f Holland Nashie Cazemer, native of France Reuben Roobludkins, native of Ceylon; and oseph Persz, native of Gibraltar, able seamen, were admitted to the Government Civil Hospital There are two of the men on board now mifering from the same complaint. Schmidt died yesterday morning and an inquest was opened the same day and adjourned.

The Straits Times gives some particulars of the loss of the French barque St. Joseph, Cap. captain by plaintiff, amongst others one at £2 5s. On the 2nd instant, the wife of Mr. H. Kleb, of a taln Dumont, with a general cargo, from Labuan per ton, which defendants refused by telegram, to Hongkong. It appears that on the morning of the 3rd alt. she struck on a supposed rock off the N.W. Coast of Borneo, Kini Bala bearing taking up her own cargo of coals, £2.78, 6d. per S.E. It was soon found that she had sprung a heavy leak, and accordingly she bore up for Ambong Bay and brought up in eleven fathoms. On the 22nd of December, suddenly, of aneurism. Shortly after the vessel west over on her beam ends, and the captain says the natives compelled him and his new to leave the ship. The captain and crew arrived in Singapore, per Cleator, on the 23rd alt. The St. Joseph belonged to St. Malo, France.

According to an article in El Comercio native of the Philippines are kidnspped in considerable numbers by pirates and sold into slavery. " If: says our contemporary "the islands of Jolo Balanguingai, and Tawi-tawi have hitherto been THE well-intentioned busybodies who have a nest of pirates, thosel of Labuan and Borneo the conduct of the anti-opium gusade in furnish, to scertain extent, a market for slaves." It recurs to the fact, recorded a short time ago. of three captives having been ransomed in Laduring which a fine farrage of nonsense has buan by a Catholic clergyman who has long been uttered. The papers received by the devoted himself to the work of ransoming, where possible, the unfortunate people who are kidsapped, and while soliciting funds to enable nish Government ought to take effective steps to put a stop to the traffe in human beings claiming the protection of the Spanish flag.

until Tuesday moon. Owing to a dense fog she | Considerable light was thrown on the intention a row. They can enter the other gates by walk- to the religion of the West, whereupon Protest. archored at Tiger Island during the afternoon of one of the parties in Cross v. Pagliano by the light the Foomen. antism (lit., the religion of Jesus) began the was uttorly inexcusable in one who pretends and night. The same afternoon she left again fact that at the time the captain made the Of those who recently owne, 60 or 70 are Shang- Hourish. In Hellas, whence the left again fact that at the time the captain made the He is reported to have, "in forcible and reported that the fog prevailing compelled her not to plaintiffs' knowledge. It was most im- dually dropped off so as not to be separated from developed, which is known by the name of the striking language, detailed the evils which to anchor at four o'clock in the Cap-sing moon, probable that he would bind himself as was | their places were taken by Greek Church. All these forms are equally de She left again at eight o'clock. The Ichang | contended for by the plaintiffs. Again, Chief- King-poh (North of the River) mon. This scended, however, from Md-si (the Mosaic disof opium eating." Now few people will time. The Kiu-biang, which was due here on so end the voyage "in the singular number would of drilling. deny that the practice of eating the drug Tuesday afternoon, did not arrive till lalf-past have decided the question but for the word Colonel Lieu, the Commander—who has for founder, have mutually structled for the mastery. nine yesterday morning. The Powal, from "outwards," which could not alone create such a years been very friendly towards the foreigners, Upon this the head of the Romish Church; deveto smake it. The Chinese import it to ing, did not arrive until yesterday morning. "to Hongkong," and there could be no doubt an emetic to those soldiers who not unfrequently made the propagation of its doctrines the object opium. There may be a few examples of repeatedly from eleven oblock a.m. mail three Conet list January, in which I decided in favour o clock p.m., when she anchored off Chung Chow of a similar claim for commission. That case was for the afternoon and night. Weighed anchor at livery different. The charter party was made by the such statements as these that help to create 6.15 s.m. on the 2nd inst. and arrived here at captains the owners seent, and the words of the seven o'clock. The Yotsa reports left Macao charter party seemed to me to amount to an enon the let last at noon, and experienced fair gagement on his part not actually to obtain his that, in the famine of last year, an average of one. It is only in Chira that the doctrines of enr the absurd impression at home that we are seven o'clock. The Yotser reports left Macao charter party seemed to me to amount to an enpoisoning the Chinese with a narcotic, which weather to the light-house, then a very thick fog outward eargo from Hongkong through Mossra. person in every house died for want of food. In Holy One (Confacius), so grand in their pro-

with builting on New Year's Day. Theday was useless fine such contract were to be found in within four miles of the Japanese factory was the reign of Yang Cheng (A.D. 1725) that s observed as a holiday by all the residents and the charter party unless they apply to charges carried off only a little time ago, and part prohibitory enactment was introduced, and the an amion of consumption, even though it is though the weather was very unfavourable early for services in connection with sailing in ballast, of her remains found but a short distance from practices of Romanism were forbidden. | Since open to abuse, for the cake of the few. It in the day several picules and outdoor parties as I think is most likely. Judgment for defeat her place of residence. Gold is obtained from the removal of the interdior took place some were organised. The unsessonable warmth was | danta however, a great drawback to open air sinuse. Mr. Johnson appeared for the paintiff and The expert of gold was indeed forbidden by this power has employed her strength in festering the merchants use no artificial means for pushing menta.

leaves for home shortly We (N.O. Daily News) understand that the adulterated, often with unwholesoms ingre- new agreement between the Chim Navigation and China Merchants' Steamer Companies will come into force with the beginning of the new pure and tree from adulteration, and though year. The rates will be about the same as those it is considerably mixed by the Chinese sup- prevailing in the days when the S.S.N. and C.

if they had the original manipulation New Year's visitors was rather al surprise to from Turkey, but that mediation is inadmissible them. About noon on New Year's day, whilst Mr. R. Rogers was at his desk in the office. ments used by Professor Amos and Sir his attention was attracted by something mov. found it to be a large make. Mr. Rogers at once obtained a small hatchet and despetched the in-

> We understand that a lady of this Colony proposes having at her house on St. Valentine's even bazaar of fancy articles, the proceeds of which are to be devoted to the benefit of the sufferers by famine in the North of China. This is very creditable to the lady who conceived the ides, but we would suggest that to render such movement substantially advantageous to the objects of the charity, it should be undertaken ov a Committee: which might be presided over v. Mrs. Hennessy, who would no doubt be pleased to aid in promoting so laudable a work:

> > INQUESTS.

An inquest was opened yesterday at the new Government Civil Hospital before Mr. James Russell, Coroner, and Jury composed of Messrs P. Jordon, F. D. Guedes, and M. Grote, on the body of John Schmidt, late a soaman on the British bark Jessie Jamieson. - Edwin Churchward said he was the chief officer of the British bark Jessia Jumieson, and deceased vas a seaman on board that vessel.— The Coroner said that the deceased was brought to the Hospital on the let instant in a dying state with three other seamen belonging to the same ship. He thought it would-be convenient

accordingly adjourned until three o'clock pin Tire. this day at the Magistracy. - An inquest was then held hefore the same jury on the body of a Chinaman, named Leung Fung Chai, who met his death by falling down the and two expectant magistrates, have all been hold of the steamship Chinkiang. Samuel Orr cashiered for disobeying the new decree-said that he was master of the British steamer Chinking, trading botwoen Hongkong and Shenghai. The deceased was a fireman on his ship. At seven c'clock that morning one of the orew reported to him-that the deceased had fallen into the hold. He went there and found him quite-dead. Chun Atai said he was a seaman on the Chinkiana. morning at five o'clock he went down the main hold, and he there found the deceased lying down. He reported the accident. He saw the the ranks of the officials would be very much main hatch open, but could not say if deceased thinned if the law were to be enforced. No fell down there. The distance was over twentytwo feet—Yip Aming, storekeeper, said he last saw deceased alive at nine o'clock on the 1st roy of Nanking will be noted with great inst. He was watching the coolies putting in satisfaction by the anti-opium agitators, and coal.—The Coroner said he would not take any more evidence then. He would adjourn the

SUPREME COURT.

January 2nd.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION. Before Mr. Justice Snowben

MEYER V. BICHARDS AND CO. \$823. His Lordship now delivered the following udement in this case — This case turns upon the construction of a Brisbane, was charged by Captain Reddell with clause in a charter-party made in Liverpool be- being insolent to the first and second enrineers tween the defendants as agents for the owners and threatning to induce the other firemen to of the ship Peruvian, and Johannes Meyer for dischey orders, and knocking off duty on the whom the plaintiff is sgent at Hongkong. The 28th ultimo. ship was chartered for a voyage to Hongkong J. A. Reddell said that on the 28th ult., while ward and outward business to the care of chargive equal freight to what others offer, free of commission inwards except on dispursements. but paying two per cent. commission to charterers in London, and usual commission on the same to be deducted from the first payment of freight. If ship leaves in ballest, no the part of the owners to charter the ship got that the body would be buried at sea. outwards from Hongkong by the agency of the

plaintiff so as to entitle him to charge commission or the ship having left under a charter obtained in San Francisco, whother it is an engagement to give him the preference. The ship arrived and discharged her cargo about Oct. demanding for this charter for a voyage to Japan to ship a full cargo of rice, the vessel ton and \$200. Shortly afterwards the plaintiff telegraphed again offering £2 7s. 6d. per ton, but this telegram was crossed by one from the de-

what others offer." The words "and outward" spectacle.

Pustan's agency, but if the ship left under charter a small village of only sixty houses, 130 people aundity, take no account of initional divisions, able time in the centre of the road; we should owners were at cross-purposes and the latter ob- the whole population are by law bound to dress King temporal interpreting the name of their sources. It is because the Indian product the police. Some of the rockets sont up from and never gave. Mossey Puston the preference, some cases the Indian product the police. Some of the rockets sont up from and never gave. Mossey Puston the preference, some cases the Indian product the police. Some of the rockets sont up from and never gave. Mossey Puston the preference, some cases the Indian product the police. Some of the rockets sont up from and never gave. Mossey Puston the preference, some cases the Indian product. burnt on board the Gacize lit up the water for a words of mercantile domment which onght to be uble in the event of the showing the descent of the religion from the large space. The decorations of the river constructed liberally, but if my interpretation was Royal family, for Japanese merchants to send Mosale law. It is said on the tablet. The the words in evergreens - A merry Christmas be made" throw no light on the subject. They famine: To so great an extent, indeed, that the reign of Wandih of the Ming dynasty. her inhaled in reasonable quantities the and a happy New Year." In front of the bridge may ment leave in ballest for another port with human skeletons are to be found all over the Matter Ricci came to the East, and the Minister drig is harmless and only proves a mild was the motto, also formed by evergreens. Hap out a charter If they mean leave in ballast country, and in some instances human bones have. Sii Kwang-k'i gave his dwelling house for a Ropiness and Prosperity," Her masts and walk chartered to go elsewhere, they would be re- been mingled with the bones of cattle and sold as manist place of worship. The Roman doctrines stimulant. When taken in excess it is unding beam were decorated with flags and ever pugning to an absolute contract to take a charter such. Pigers are numerous and are frequently apread to all parts of the country, without entail.

Mr. Brerston for the delendants.

TEST TELEGRAMS REUTER'S TELEGRAMS. SUPPLIED TO THE DAILY ERES. BY SOUTHERN ROUTE

Lownon 30th December THE BUSSO-TUBKISH WAR-It is seni-officially stated that Russin is will ing to entertain pence proposals coming direct

POLICE COURT 1st Jonuary.

BEFORE CHARLES MAY, Esq. REBUSING TO PAY CHAIR HIRE Sutton Hillay, a passonger per the British steamer Menelous, was charged with felusing to pay chair hire.

Licensed chair coolie No. 321 said he carried the prisoner to different public-houses from half post nine o'clock until half-past eleven o'clock that day. Prisoner had no money and witness gave him in charge. He wented half a dollar. Licensed chair cools No. 371 said that he carried the prisoner on the 31st ultimo, and ultimately to the Prays. He went in a boat telling witness to wait. The dill so until ton o'clook n.m. when the prisoner refused to pay witness. He gave prisoner in charge, and was told to go to the station that morning at eight o'clock. Witness wanted \$1. Licensed chair coolie No. 190 said on the 28th illime he carried the misoner all day from six o'clock p.m. On the 31st ultimo also prisoner engaged witness's chair all day. He wanted \$2. Prisoner said that he was willing to pay the money, if some one went with him to get it. had many friends in Hongkong. His Worship ordered the prisoner to pay \$3.50 for chair hire; in default, seven days' imprison-

ALLEGED THEFT OF MONEY. Leong Awah, a coolin was charged with feloplously stealing \$1, one half-runee, one sixpence. and one Greek silver coin of the value of half a chief-officer of the Messagerles Maritimes teamer

prisoner for larceny. His Worship committed him for trial at the Surreme Court. 2nd January.

ASSAULTING THE POLICE. constable while in the execution of his duty.

very dirty and covered with mud. one days' imprisonment with hard labour.

Lo Awong was charged with assaulting Chun Amui, a street coolie, near the Canton Wharf, and was fined \$2 in default-seven days hard

> MARINECOURT 2nd January.

BEFORE H. G. THOMSETT, Esq., R.N.

Wong Apan firemen on the British steamer

and contains the following clause in print and lat sea, one of the craw, a Chinese, died. After writing -- The vessel to be addressed for in- the doctor had made a post moriem examination of the body, prosecutor ordered it to be buried terers at the port of discharge, provided they Prisoner, who is sorang freman, went to him and said if the body was buried at sea he (prisoner) would induce the other firemen to knock off work, and so delay the ship. Prosputor threatened to put the prisoner into irons if he interferred in any

Prisoner said in defence that the chief engicharge to be made." The question is whether new told him that the doctor wanted \$50 to these words form an absolute engagement on embalm the body, and if he (the doctor) did not Fined \$10, in default twenty days' inprison

> THE "MIRZAPORE." James Lee, seaman on the British steamer Mirzapore, was charged by Captain Parish, with going on shore without leave within twenty-four The prisoner was reprimanded and sent on

> > SOOCHOW.

20th December.

by the famine this prohibition has fallen into to religious teaching; and upon this the profession disuse, and gold is now openly experted. The of Romanism has afforded a refuge to brigands Corean officials, besides, now fear that any at and lawiess offenders in general. To these, it has tempt to enforce this prohibitory regulation been made practicable to set the lows at defiance would lead to complications with the Japanese, and the power of the missionaries has in grant. During the month of October the value of im- quance grown great. In the reigns of Tao I wang Japan Mail

AMAHONO!

niense admiration of a large number of Japanese have been contailed in consequence upon the the Colony was losing a heavy sum per and Celestials. The two Ministers were carried people the more mention of the word wis annum through the monopoly being underin kages, each borne on the shoulders of eight sienary" excites a feeling of indignation in the let. At that time (1860) the population of bearing breast and both preceded by horalds bearing breast and calls forth a toront of invective Singapore was 90,000, of whom 58,000 were banners, and other paraphernalls which are The people lose no opportunity of gratifying generally to be observed in a Chinese mandarin's their desire for vengeance. The action of the promission. A company of marines escorted the Missions, moreover, in accepting as converts Ambassadors. There was no music, though a persons belonging to the original class, make great noise was made by beating gongs. Next themselves objects of reprobation to orderly to the Ministers came the Consuls on herseback; and law abiling people. Such practices are not more than triple, the amount paid by the the remainder of the party riding in finrikishes. only a departure from the fundamental prin-The procession wended its way past No. 70, then ciples of their religion, but they cannot fall, turned into Homura-road and proceeded through also, if made known to the world at large, to the fact that then, as now, a large quantity Chinese town to the Chinese Club. As they cover them with shame. What is urgently passed through the streets; the people manifested needed is that proclamations should be issued their joy by firing off orackers, which demone setting forth that all individuals, no matter what stration; however pleasing to the performers, very religion they profess, shall receive the same nearly resulted in a serious accident to one of judicial treatment with the general mass of the the mounted gentry. The pony this individual population in any matter entailing official action; bestrode was evidently unacoustomed to a salute and that stringent commands should be laid upon f ornekers, as he commenced to prace about in the high provincial authorities to issue injune. July, 1870, stated very positively that such a manner that it assumed very probable he tions on the subject to the local magistrates. would deposit his rider on the ground. Two warning them that on the slightest show of instrong bettos, however, encogeded in arresting equitable conduct, they shall instantly be im-

information, which may perhaps give some clue may be arranged without effort. N. C. Daily as to the probable fate of the missing otter-hunter News. Caroline, a small Danish schooner, owned by Mr. P. Claussen of this port. Our informant, who was on board the British schooner Ottosei, states that the Caroline left Clam Bay, Chikotan, on the morning of Friday, 19th October, bound for Yokohama with a catch of some 180 skins. The Ottosci. Left some two hours later, bound for Hakodate, and in the evening, at about six o'clook, sighted the Caroline, off the south end of the island heading to the south-west. laniel O'Brien, seamen on the American bark A fresh northerly breeze was blowing at the I. Brown, was charged with assaulting a police I time, which gradually hauled to the eastward. onstable while in the execution of his duty. and increased to a moderate gale the follow-P.C. 582 said that about quarter to six o'clock ing day. On Sunday, 21st, it blew one of last evening he was on luty in the Queen's road the bardest gales the captain of the Officer had in uniform. The prisoner, who was drunk; came ever witnessed during an experience of fourup and knocked witness down and kicked him. teen years on this coast. In this blow the Caro. Sergeant Stanton said that the prisoner was There were sixten hands, all told on board viz taken to the station yesterday. When the con- Captain Miller, J. Keel, Metzner, one other stable came to the station his coat and cap were European, a native of Urup, and sloven Japanese sailors. When the vessel left Chikotan she had Prisoner—I was tight sir. I don't remember food only for about ten days: so that even if she weathered the gale with loss of masts and His Worship fined him \$5; in default, twenty- sails only, her ever must long ere this have died

> The silver mines of Ikune, in the province of Tamba, are reported by a native journal to be in Merchandise, a very flourishing condition; and, litely, to have furnished the Osaka mint with 2,800 pounds of

of starvation. Japan Gazette.

The Nichi Nichi Shimbun says that the sailing vessel Miyako-may, which left for Sabusawa in Yezo on the 10th instant, was wricked off the coast of Kajima on the 18th. No lives were lost. We have to record a very end event which happened on the evening of the 18th filt, in Tokio, the suicide of Mr. F. C. Haves, formerly Secretary in the Mining Department. Mr Haves had been seriously unwell for some little On SHANGHAL time provious to his death, and was wholly confined to his bed for the last few days, during which time he lay in a very precarious and excited state. No one, however, could have apprehended such a catastrophe as his suicide. vould appear now, from what is known by those who were about him in his illness that the anof business had so wrought mon his mind as to cause a tomorary derangement which led im at a moment when no one was near, to shoot nimself through the head with his revolver. An I inquest was held the following day on the body at the Yedo Hotel.—Japan Gazetle

KWOH SUNG-TAO ON THE CHRISTIAN PROPAGANDA.

(Translation from his Journal.) December 26th (11th of 10th moon.) At noon. the distance made was 8144 li (2711 miles). Lat. 10.11 N. Yao Yen kin showed me a book (lately lations of China, which contains among other things the Circular addressed by the Yamen of Foreign Affairs (in 1871) to the foreign representatives, enclosing eight Regulations on the subject of missionary affairs. The terrour of this document is energetically conceived and There was a military execution by "Court expressed with cleamess and precision. It perusal Mortisl " Kinn lin, at the Parade Ground, out called to my mind a sad remembrance of a congo to Moulmein and take in a cargo of timber dier was only twenty-three years old; his offence signg dwelt with me upon the figrant evils The vessel sailed in ballast on October 10th, was leading in a row which broke up a theatre of the Romanist propaganda, remarking that The plaintiff states positively that his offer or stage-play outside the Chang-men. Justice the excess to which these have become de-"equal freight to what others offered." was quite summarily inflicted. I asked if they veloped in the south-western provinces, Szenhuen There was no evidence to show what the freight had any regular executioner at the camp as in and Kweichow, is in fact attributable to the lack under the charter to Moulmein was. Under the Yamens? "Oh no, they just made any of impartiality shown by the local authorities in these circumstances was the plaintiff entitled to man who was skilful ent off the head." Accord- their dealings with the people, whereby ground Stockfish-10 bundles, at \$5.20, by Chuncommission? I am unable to distinguish this ing to custom, his hood ought to have been (for interference) is continually given, with the shong to travelling trader. case from Cross v. Pagliano, L. R. OEx.9. The mounted on a pole at the gate, but because of result that in process of time authority becomes. Brown Sugar 582 bags at \$3.80, by Gee Ko charter party in that case provided amongst his youth, some of his friends begged off. In wholly set at naught. He added that, after the to local trader. other things that the ship should proceed to ileu of this, his head, followed by the decapi- occurrence of the missionary affairst Tientsin Mushroom 10 cases, at \$45.50 by Tung shun, monopolist. The Government cannot be San Francisco, where "she shall be consigned tated body in a coffin—the head tied by the pig- (i.e. the massacro of 1870), he had conferred with wo to travelling trader. to charterers' agents inwards and outwards, pay- tail on to a long bamboo carried by two men- the foreign Ministers, to whom he proposed a

ing the usual commissions and deliver her cargo was taken to the Yamen of the Provincial Go- set of well-considered regulations by way of and so end the voyage." In this case the only versor, Wa, to have that official as an eye- a settlement of affairs after what had taken material difference is the addition in writing of witness, thus passing down a street one and place, and from which some slight improvement the words "provided they give equal freight to a half miles and back again, a rather shocking might have been heped as the result; but, as British bark MAY QUEEN, 472 tons, hence to Wen signg observed, his propositions had been are added in writing. The printed word "only" The camp formerly outside the South Gate at | ignored by all the Powers. Romanism (lit. the (inward only) is struck out. In Cass v. Pag- Shanghai, was first moved to Wangdo, but re- Religion of the Lord of Heaven), I may here ob. linno it was held that these provisions did not cently to this place to unite with that outside serve derives its origin from Moses its from the impose on the defendant an obligation to accopt the Foo-min. They came up last month to be Mosaic dispensation but Jesus Christ laid the a homeward cargo at the port of discharge from reviewed by the Governor, and were ordered to first foundations of the religion which bears this the plantiff's agents, but merely bound the remain. This makes 1,000 men now in this camp. name. A few centuries subsequently to this. The Canton river steamer Kinshan, which was captain upon taking a return carge on board They have a guard at this gate to prevent the Mohammedanism grose in Arabia, and about due here on Monday afterhoon, did not arrive there to employ them to procure and ship it. soldiers from entering, guiling drunk, and making 1,000 years later Inther (Lin-teh-yen) gave rise Danish bark Kronprindsessen, 373 tous, British schooler Horsever, 216 tons, Manila to into the matter, for though written seven which was soon followed by the Protestants. In Western countries, the religion of the Sovereign and his people is in some cases the same and in others not so. When different religious are thus professed each follows his own rite, on French bark Evpoxin ADOLPHINE, 204 tons The New Year was ushered in with the usual charter party at hand, but according to the throughout the country is estimated, in bells of St. John's Cathedral accurate reports of the independent of the bells of St. John's Cathedral accurate reports of the independent the words were starved to death, and the number of victims and wide of the independent of They simply supply an article for which there harbour were set going, while crackers and tain is lound to give on equal terms charterers, vinces; and the people are all the people are

washings, and has been extensively experted, thaty years ogo, France, herself a Romanist

Government, but owing to the distress caused propaganda, under the name of giving protection

ports et the port of Fusan was 3,780 year, and of and Hien Tong (1821-1850), the condition of the exports 8,635 yet . Most of the lunanesetresi- givil administration in the south west provinces dent at Pusan belong to Nagasaki, only due having sunk to the lowest depths of corruption, touth of their number halling from Tokio - the numbers of the priminal class and of porsons without regard for the law had grown very great. Advantage was taken of this by the missionaries to press forward to the achievement of their dosigns, and the result has keen the widespread The Nicht Nicht Shimbun states that two nature of the evil in the two provinces in question bevery operous. This led him to examine into Japanese retail dealors, having been convicted of (Szechuen and Kwaichow). The right course the sums paid by the various licenses and to forging the labels of Messrs. Bus & Co., for would have been, after the compare them with those of adjacent colonies. the purpose of selling Yokohama beer as the missionary affair at Plentsin, to confer with the "E. D." went to a great deal of treuble to produce of the grant English brewery, have been various foreign Governments, pointing out how obtain reliable data in the case of the opium each sentenced, by the Tokic Saibansho, to the different Missions give encouragement and protection to their converts. This is the case in The Chinese Ministers landed at three o'clock every province of the Empire, whilst in Szechuen estimated the profit of the farmer, he suc-

the playfulness of the animal until the clatter peached to the Phrone for punishment. Let but the strength of the converts to Christianity to We have been able to ascertain the following reduced to its proper level, and all other questions

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

WEDNESDAY, 2nd January. Sales of Patna to-day at \$605, and of Heneres. st \$5661. The quotation for Malwa is \$700, but nothing done since the arrival of the Mirzapore. The stock of Patna is given at 1,800 chosts, of Benarce 600 chests, and of Malva 1,760 chests, exclusive of the exports to Shanghai per Mirza.

EXPORT CARGOES Per steamer Teheran, for London, &c. For London 12,232 boxes, 3472 half-chests, and 3,130 pkgs. Ten, 1,553 bales Silk, 18 cases tine was most likely lost, probably by capsizing. Silk Piece Golds, 64 bales. Waste Silk, and 526 ment with the sub-licensees to 30 tacks weight pkgs. Sundries. For Continent 476 bales Cocoons, and 22 pkgs. Sundries. For America therefore, will be cost of one-chest opium, 1:020 boxes, 402 half cheste, and 111 pkgs. Tea. Por steamer Ocean, for Sydney &c. :-For Sydney 2,353 bags Rice, 5,570 bags Sugar 61 pkgs. Merchandise, 810 pkgs. Oil,

kgs. Tea, 6 pkgs. Silks, and 4 pkgs. Opium For Melbourne 828 bags Rice, 500 pkgs, Tenand 346 pkgs. Merchandise. For Cooktown 1,900 tags Rice, 100 pkgs. Tea, 287 pkgs. Morchandise, and 18 pkgs. Opium For Danedin 28 pkgs. Morchandiss. For Adelaide 24 pkgs.

ON LONDON ---Bank Bills, on demand. Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight... 3/103 Bank Bills, at 6 months sight. 3/11 Credits at 6 months' sight .... 3/114

Documentary Bills, at 6 months" ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, sight.......225 Bank sight Private 30 days sight......713

\_\_\_\$685 per share.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares-58 per cont. promium. Inion Insurance Society of Canton—\$1,100 China Traders Insurance Company's Shares-Yaugtsze Insurance Association-Tis. 650 per since then, and as the population is consider-Chinese Insurance Company - \$265 per share.

Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company's from this source, and "E. D." relates how a Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Success. The Government there advertised Shares-16 per cant discount. Shanghai Steam Navigation Corpany-Tls. 26 satisfactory they declared they would retain per share. longkong Gus Company's Shares—375

Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares \$58 ner! Chinese Imperial Loan—£103 10s, Ex. 4s: 11d Labuan and Saigon may also be brought Chinese Imperial Loan of 1877—£101. SALES ON JANUARY 2ND. AS REPORTED

White War-S picals, at \$59.50, by Kwone vue-chong to travelling trader, Dried Lily Flowers-10 bars at \$8.40, by obtain any adequate increase in the amount Kwong shun-loong to travelling trader. Vermicelli 40 bags, at \$7.50; by Chun in but, as His Excellency observed in Ris chong to travelling trader.

CHARTERS ENFECTED. The following Settlements are taken from Messrs. HEINEMANN & Co.'s Freight Circular :-Channel for orders to a port in the United Kingdom, 21 17s. 6d. per ton of 20 owt., or on the Continent, £2 per ton of 20 cwt. New York, private terms.

25 lay days. Whampes to Trieste, £2 2s, 6d. per ton o York, private terms: British bark BHUDDLAND CASTLE, 599 tone unreasonable to imagine that the Horgkong Cebu to London or Liverpool private terms, farm is not worth a fourth of that sum. German bark Canton, 373 tous, Manila, Hoile, The figures given by "L D." may serve to or Gebu to London or Liverpool private assist the Government in their investigations

Sydney Hemp), £3 5s per top of 20 owt. Years ago hey are equally applicable now. French bark Parinion, 458 tons, Bangkor to There cannot be the shadow of a doubt that Rochefort sur-mer (Timber), private terms, the opium farmer is resping an enormous British bark Change Grove, 385 tons, Takes income from his license, and it is to be hoped te Yokohama, 21 cents per picul, 30 lay days, that the Governor may, when the existing ferman bank Peino, 250 tons, hence to Quinkon lease expires, be able to let the firm for and back \$900 in full, 25 lay days. French bark Papitton, 458 tone hence to Quin nearly double the sum now paid. hon and back, \$1,750 in full, \$5 lay days. German bark Brima, 380 tons, honce to Quinhon and back \$1,450 in full, 30 lay days.

Hongkorg, 18 cents per picul, 24 lay days. to Saigon, \$1,540 in full. hence to Sairon, \$2,000 in full. German eteamer BELLONA, 789 tons, hence Singapore and Pavang, \$3,300 in full,

hence to Quinhon and back, \$1,150 in full,

Portuguese stamor Parser, 1,010 tons, Kol to Hongkong, private terms German bark FRIEDERICH PERTIES, 447 tons HONGKONG TEMPERATURE

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# NEWS FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

THE HONGKONG OPIUM FARM. "...

In reference to the Opium farm in this Colony, our attention has been called to some letters in the Daily, Press of 1869 signed "E.D." which contain some useful information. "E.D." was at that time a merchant in Hongkong, who had given a good deal of time and attention to the question of taxation level achief at that period was felt to farm, and though he probably rather over-Chinese while the Chinese population of Hongkong was 114,000; yet the opium farm in the former colony, where there was half the number of consumers, was let for farmer in Hongkong. What rendered the inconsistency more glaringly apparent was of the drug was exported from here to Australia and California, while from Singapore there was little or none exported. It stated that a portion found its way from the Straits to Java, but "E. D." in a letter to this paper dated 25th so far from this being the case, the licensees in the Netherlands Indies yearly paid the sum of 6,000,000 guilders, while the Govern ment derived an additional sum from the crude drug, which they alone can sell, foreigners as well as their own subjects being prohibited from engaging in the trade. We are not aware what the opium farms in-Java produce now, but in Acheen, a province of Sumatra only partially subjugated, the opium and gambling farms yield 549,000 guilders per annum at the present time. Struck by the inequality existing between the revenue derivable from the two farms at

Singapore and Hongkong, "E. D." set himself to work to prove that the farmer in the latter Colony was clearing a colossal profit. In order to get at the profits of the farmer he went into figures. We quote the following from his first letter:- "In this Colony as in Singapore the production of prepared drug is limited by the farmer in-his agreeper ball, or 1,200 taels per chest: the result, \$580; boiling and packing, \$80; total, \$660; while at the present time it sells for 85 cents per tael, or, for the product of one chest, \$1,020; thus giving a gross profit of \$360 per chest. No objection can be made to my estimated value of opium, as the price of prepared drug is ruled by market rate of the crude article. At the same time I may mention I do not take into account the value of the refuse, although it would slightly strengthen my arguments, being readily saleable at \$5 per picul." "E. D." proceeds to state. that the export to Australia and California for the first six months of 1869 was 393 chests, the profit on which, at the abovementioned rate, of \$960 per chest, was \$141,480. Taking the export for the remaining six months at the same figure, which was fair enough, and deducting the license feethen \$104,000-a net profit on known shipments remained of \$178,960. Adding the profit on the drug consumed and exported elsewhere. "E.D." came to the conclusion that the opium farmer in this Colony realised an annual profit by his contract of not less than \$500,000. Now this was probably an overestimate, and the farm is at present let for \$132,000 peryear; but it must not be forgotten that the shipments have largely increased ably larger it is fair to presume that the number of local consumers must have like-Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares wise correspondingly risen. His Ercellency China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$175 the Governor has told us the result of his effortsat Labuan, to increase, the revenue similar effort at Saigon was crowned with like for tenders, and not receiving any that werethe right and prepare the drug themselves. The consequence was that an increase of about ninety thousand dollars was immediately forthcoming. What has been effected in about in Hongkong. Therevenue nowderived from the opium farm can probably be doubled. but the Government will have to threaten to boil the onium themselves and perhaps have to actually try that expedient before they will paid by the licensee... Tenders may be sent recent speech on the subject, if it is assumed that they are all genuine a great mistake is likely to be made. As a matter of fact, the Chinese either cannot or will not oppose the guided by the tenders sent in as to the amount they ought to accept, but there is little doubt that the farm ought to cotribute at least a quarter of a million dollars a year to the revenue. A native opinion on the question advanced to us is that the farm ought to produce \$200,000 a year, and the reason given by the same tmerican schooler Marion, 866 tons, hence to authority why the opium farms in the Straits Settlements yield so much larger revenue than British schooler Yiscount Macoury, 289 tons, that of Hongkong is that the monopoly is hence to Trieste, £2 5s. per ton of 50 feet, more complete there, no one being licensed to boil and sell the opium but the farmer himself, who thus manages to keep up the price. It would be difficult, if not absolutely British ship Martha Jackson, 502 tons, Marillo impossible, to get at the actual value of the or Cebu to London, or Liverpool, or New farm, but if those in the Straits Settlements bring in more than a million dollars it seems

> THE LESSON OF THE "YESSO EXPLOSION.

It is to be hoped that the lesson afforded by the recent deplorable accident on the steamer Yeso will not be lost upon the Go-British steemer MAHABAJAH 994 tons, hence vernment, so that prompt legislation providing premutionary measures against a re-British steamer Godden Hoen, 1.024 tons currence of such a catastrophe will take place. As matter stand, there is really no knowing what accidents of the kind are yet in store for us. Several of the steamers plying in these waters are, it appears, insufficiently provided with engineers, "handy" Chinamen-wholly unacquainted with engimonthly charter, five months, \$1,150 per neering and really only intelligent stokers in many cases doing duty for second and third engineers. This state of things should not be allowed to continue Stringent regulations should be drawn up as to the number and qualifications of all engineers engaged in blamers and rigidly carried out, and periodical inspection of boilers and machinery should be made; in short, the home system should be adopted here with such additional safeguards as recent experience of boiler accidents may The frequency and serious character of

such catastrophes, not only in the merchant service but in the Royal Navy, are appeal-

ing most of these are traceable to some radical defect in the hoilers, either in their 3rd. Loss of the Russian barque Euhines on an design or to the inferiority of the meta employed in their construction, a remedy for which can easily be provided by subjecting all boilers before being used to the inspection and approval of competent officers. This a matter which vitally concerns the public. It has been sworn by some of the scientifi witnesses at the recent investigations before the Coroner and at the Magistracy that the only effectual way of providing against the recurrence of boiler accidents is Government supervision such as exists at home. So serio and frequent are accidents of this nature that for many years past there has been in operation 27th. Tross of the British barque Adela off Newan Insurance Company in England for the purpose of protecting the users of steam power from the consequences by providing for periodical inspection of boilers ar machinery by competent men and for compensation for the damage resulting from such accidents. It appears from the prospectus issued by the Company that during the test years previous to 1871 over five hundred boiler explosions took place in the United Kingdom, resulting in a fearful los of life and serious personal injuries. similar company might well be established in China. At all events, it is time that Government should take the matter up, for the safety of the public imperatively demands legislation, and there seems no reason wh an Ordinance dealing with the subject should not be passed. None, we believe, are niore anxious that such legislation should take place than the owners of steamships

## LOCAL AND DISTRICT EVENTS O THE YEAR 1877.

JANUARY. lst.—Fire at Shanghai, two persons burned death, eighteen houses destroyed. 2nd.—Great fire at Amoy, 30 Chinese hongs burned down and many more damaged. h.-Toss of British ship John O'Gaunt on a reef off the Island of Batag, in the Philippines. Society, at City Hall, Hongkong. 15th.-Meeting of Shareholders of the S. S.

Navigation Company, at which the sale of the pany was sanctioned. 16th.—Address presented at Shanghai to M W. H. Medhurst, British Consul General, on

his leaving China. 18th.-Maiden Sessions in Hongrong, whit gloves presented to Sir John Smale 9th.—Loss of the British barque Annie Gray on-a-rock-near Double-Island, entrance-

Chefoo Harbour. 22nd — Arrival of the Chinese Envoys in London 26th — Annual vacht Race for the Douglas Chal. Prize day at Central school; prizes presented by H.E. Sir Arthur Kenned y.

2nd.—Loss of the E. & A. M. steamer Singapor on her passage from Cooktown to China. Hongkong.

0th.—Outbreak of Satsuma rebellion, Japan. 11th. - Loss of the British barque Letty Gales the Pratas Shoal, with four of the prew. 12th -Annual Meeting of Chamber of Commer

Hongkong. 16th.-Loss of the British barque Navorth Cast on a reef near the Paracels; the contain and

17th -Annual Floral and Horticultura Exhibi tion, Public Gardens, Hongkong. 19th .- "Aladdin, or the Wonderful Seamn performed at Theatre Royal by the Damatic Amateurs.—The O. S. S. Co. steamer Quanta

broke her shaft and lost her propeller while o her voyage from Singapore to Hongkong 22nd.—Hongkong Races, first day. 28rd.—Hongkong Races, second day. 24th. Hongkong Rness, third day. 26th.-Hongkong Roces, off day.-Race Ball.

28th.—Farawell banquet to Sir Arthur Kennedy in the City Hall, Hongkong. 1st. Departure of Sir Arthur Kennedy for

Queensland Hon It G Austin assumes the Government as Administrator: 2nd - Meeting of Legislative Council; a vote

\$200,000 to be taken from Special Land for re-construction of Praya Wall agreed to \$50,000 to be appropriated at once for the work. 3rd.—Great fire in foreign settlement at Foodlow between three and four hundred native liouses burned to the ground -Attack on Mission promises at Johang by a native mob-7th -The C. C. S. N. steamer Sin Nanzing and the C. M. steamer Yung Ching collided in the Peiho River, the former sustaining consider-

able damage. 9th.—Wreck of the Spanish man-of-war Subje on an unknown rock between Danlig and Barbican -- Annual Naval and Military Athletic Sports, Hongkong, first day.

10th -Annual Naval and Military Athleti Sports, second day. 26th.—Riotons demonstration by natives at Ningpo against the foreign bridge keeper.

1st. Hougkong entered the Postal Union Postage rates reduced from date.—The ports of Wuhn, Wenchow and Ichang formally

opened to foreign trade. 2nd.—The port of Pakhai formally opened to foreign trade. 8th.—Wreck of the British barque Scrpent about

twelve miles from the Taku outer anchorage. 15th.—Mr. Grimmer, manager of the Temperance Hall, Shanghai, mobbod and soverely beaten by a crowd of natives in that settlement. 21st.—Torpedo explosion at Tientsin, six men-

-blown to picces; narrow escape of Li-Hung-22nd — Arrival of H.E. Pope Hennessy in Hong.

23rd.—Mr. Pope Hennessy sworn in as Lieut. Governor of Hongkong.

1st.—Governor Hennessy's first levie. 16th.—Loss of the P. M. steamer City. of San Francisco off Acapulco 18th.—Mr. Ng Choy, the first Chinese barrister, admitted to practice at the bar of Honekong. 24th.—Queen's Birthday: Ball at Government House, Hongkong.

26th .- Death of Kido Juniohiro, confidential teoretary to the Mikedo of Japan, and a leading member of the Imperial Council. 27th.—Affray between British and Russian monof-war s men at Yokohama...

30th.—Presentation of a memorial on the Currency Question to the Governor of Hongkong signed by most British and foreign residents in the Colony.

Brd.—St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Hongkong, opened for service. 4th Arrival of the Chinese gunboate Gamma had gone rough a good course of training

... men of war's men at Yokohama. 6th. H.E. Pope Hennessy sworn in as Go. worthy of hame. With the number of foreign vernor of Hongkong. 7th.—First Chinese civil marriage in Hongkong. -Dramatic Amateurs performed " Not such a Fool as he Looks" in Theatre Royal, Hong-

Ith. Bevere gale at Yokohama. The Audacious dragged her anchors and collided with the steamer Chilli, the carpenter of the former

another seaman in Gage-streat, Hongkong. 16th.—New native tax imposed on shipments by 1 foreign vessels at Newchwang. 17th. + Total loss of the M.M. steamer Meikono

on Res Haffoon, near Cape Guardafui two serson died from exposure; mails and ourgo

18th.—Disastrous includation at Foothow, handreds of houses washed away, and thousands of persons rendered homologs and destitute.

26th. The O. and O. steamer Occanic lost her satisfaction of evenue to Hougkong —Typhoon in Japan; the Ameri mission of the coll, present on the flag-ship, can harque Sarah and two or three Japanese and played a choid section of music moder, the

unknown rook about thirty miles off the Nurth Shoal, China Sea .- Severe gale at Shanghal and great damage to property ashorand afficat.

Typhoon on the Formoson coast. Chinese bunboat Full-sing wrooked. 6th .- Hottest day of the year in Hougkong thermometer 96 Fahrenheit.

1th Unprovoked outrage on two missionaries \*at Wynchang by Chinese military students. 21st -- A quatle Sports of Victoria Recreation Club, first day, 23rd Aquatio Sports of Victoria Recreation

Club, second day.

10th. Five places of call on the Yangtare-Tatung, Nganking, Wusush, Luchikow, and Sha si-formally declared open to toreign wessels. 23rd Presentation of address to Mr. A. G. Romano, late Acting Consul-General for Portugal in Hongkong, by the Portuguesa com-munity.—Captain Poland, of H.M.S. Long, insulted by a military mandarin on his way from Sicawoi to Shanghai.

September. 2nd.—Seizure of Kagoshima by the Japanese rebel leader Saigo. 17th - Mosting of Legislative Council. Hong-ling on well close behind. The other two diskong . H.E. the Governor announces his policy on prison discipline, &c.

21st -- Severe typhoon in the Formosan Channel; Straits. Great damage done on the Fohkien

24th.—Satsuma rebels in Japan routed with great sloughter, and their leaders, Saigo and Kirino killed.-Embargo laid on the export of rice from Siam-OCTOBER.

.—Pirat serious railway collision in Japan, on the Kobe and Kioto line; two passengers killed and several more injured. 2nd.—British barque Merse, while on her passage from Hongkong to Newchwang, struck on the

Pratas Shoal and had to be abandoned. 11th.—1st Concert of the season of the Choral 11th.—Severe gale at Yokohama, considerable damage ashore and affost. 13th.—Loss of the British barque Queensberry on a reof off the south west coast of Palawan. Company's plant to China Merchants' Com. 21st. The Shaughai and Woosung milway closed to traffic by the Chinese Authorities.

> 22nd.—Mr. O. B. Bradford, U. S. Vice Consul-General at Shanghai, found guilty of breach of trust in opening letters, and sentenced to fine and imprisonment.

25th.—Loss of the American ship Granger on the Swallow Roef, in the China Sea.

3rd .- Amsterr Concert at City Hall, Hongkong in aid of the Indian Famine Relief Fund. lenge cup at Hongkong , won by Nature 4th - Arrival of Vice Admiral Hillyar, C.B., in Hongkong to take command of the British Squadron in China.

6th: Gunpowder explosion on a Chinese junk near Choung Chow; the vessel blown to pieces and twenty persons killed. 8th; Second Concert of the Choral Society 10th. The British barque Aberlady went ashore in the Gaspar Straits.

12th - Meeting of the Legislative Council, Hong kong the Governor introduces the Budget and estimates the revenue for the next year at over a million dollars. 4th Presentation of medals and rewards by

H. E. the Governor of Hongkong to Chinese junkmasters for saving the crew of the British barque Lettu Gales. 22nd Terrible boiler explosion on board the coasting steamer Yesso, while at the wharf, Hongkong : nighty-seven persons killed 27th.—The German barkentine Johann Rudolph

burnt to the water's adve when off Sablavan

29th.—A Chinese junk laden with gunpowder, bound from Hongkong to Macao, forced to return to the former port by a Chinese Customs officer at Cap-sing-moon Pass. 30th.—Arrivallof the Chinese Envoy to Japan at

Nagasaki.—St. Andrew's Ball at the City Hall. Hongkong. DECKMBER.

Abuan to Hongkong. ith The steamer Flintshire, while on her passale from Sitgapore to Hourkong, struck on the Scarborough shoal. Help was obtained from Manika and she was safely towed off and brediet to Hongkong.

15th: Inti-Christian demonstration by Chinese at Balin near Tameni, Formosa; the mission pramis wrocked, and the missionary's life threate 18th - Chless deputation to the Governor of Hongkon praying for the release of the notorious chainal Lee Lum Kwai.

Annual Reputa, first day. 22nd -- Victor Regatta, second day. 28th.—28th Ramont ordered from Hongkong to Singapore

29th.—Kowloodid Club closed. 31st -Arrival d English and French, mails at Hongkong Athin the same bour,

VICTOIA REGATTA FIRST DA — December 21st. The ereorable we weather with which we have been visited lably took a turn for the better and the day we fair, although very cold and neve a sunboum fanced on the water. The eaptains if merchantin responded with good. will to the request of the committee to add to the gay apparance of the harbour by decorating their shis, and the large fleet of sailing vessels

now in prt presented avery protty sight with their pifuse display of bunting. The P. and O. steam Swida was uled as the flag ship, and a large amber of guests were entertained on board. I the committed not so large a number, holver, as in former years, whether deterredby fear of the cold breeze or some other reton the ladies did not grace the sports with the presence so freely as they usually do Amongs those present on the flag-ship were Vice Adral Hillyar, C.B. Colonel Bassano, C.B. Comodore Watson, and a fair number o

passed owell. Naind maintening her well establisher oputation in the yacht race. The water we slightly lumpy for the rowing races, aneach of the two sculling races was reduced to row over in consequence of spills. There win good race for the Chairman's Cup. Elliwas favourite, and odds of three to one wt offered against Thistle, but she passed thene first after a very close struggles The Intertional race was a flat affoir. The Scotch we little better than a soratch crew and had foliance with the Irishmen, who and Delta in Hongkong from Portsmouth, together he English were mable to get up a -Paral fracas between. French and German crew at allatis a pity some arrangement could not have in made to render the event more

men-of-war port it ought to be possible to get upsomethinks an international race. The rules might havesen relaxed a little if necessary to secure thand Mr. Schu received the Ladies Purse for sculls from hands of Miss E. Shervinton.

who congratical him on his success in taking the prize at tanccessive regattas. Mr. Schultz thanked Misshervinton and the ladies of \$10. the Mancel Rac, a Chilian scomen, killed by more competily for the prize. He was cheered ds he retired a There is a la programme for to-day, and if

the boats could to the scratch, the afternoon ought to be algovable one. The prizes will be presented one flag ship by Mrs. Jackson at the close of sports. The indges Mr. J. P. McEuen, R.N., and Captain No. R.N. The starter and umpire for the dag races is the Hon. C. C.

Smith for yat Mr. Beart and for open sailing boats, Jain Barnie. These gentle-21st — Meeting of Legislative Council. Hong- men all showed a they thoroughly understood kong: Companies Ordinance passed and number work. Mr. O. Travers, homorary sacretary discharged anties of his office to the propeller while on her voyage from Yokohama The Band of thich Regiment was by per-

direction of Mr. Emest, band mester

THET RACE - Buntor Sculls. For Single Pair Soulling Boats, Entraped 35 Distance One Mile, Priso, 'Brokers' Cup. 'Open to any one who bestneyer won a Soulling Race in Chinn and Japan. Station No. 2. Mr. G. P., Richard Lady

Station No. 1. Mr. D. C. Travers (Cosket) totion No. 8, Mr. E. D.O. Aplin (Namesia) This proved a walk over for Rickard, Aplin Station No. 1, Mr. H. Dickie's outter Ariel, and Travers each meeting with a misfortune at

Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of any Regiment or Corps in Garrison, or by Enropean Members of the Police Force. Distance One Mile. Entrance 31. First Prize. 315. Second, \$5. Out-rigged Boats excluded. Station No. 3, 28th Regiment, F. Company, (Lady of the Lake). Station No. 1, Police (The Beat) Station No. 2, 28th Regiment, G. Company,

Station No. 4. Royal Artillery, (Can ilo)..... Station No. 5, Royal Artillery, (The Swan) The boats all got off well together, but Bent and Lady of the Lake soon showed to the front, and the race between these two was a close one for the greater part of the way, Shamrock hangqualified themselves by going outside the course, but they were never in the race. The Lady the Lake's men pulled the best stroke and

the American schooner Florence Bailey wrecked gradually left the Police in the rear winning by on an island at the entrance to the Haitan about two lengths, a length between second and third. Time Smin. 20sec. Beat had six oars he Lady of Lake and the Shamrook four THIRD RACE The "Chairman's Cup," for mile and a half. Entrance \$10. Station No. 3.—"Thistle."—First.

Bow. Mr. W. P. Anton ...... 9st. 911b. No. 2, Mr. J. A. L. Coker, R.A. 12st. 71b. Stroke Capt. G. Conner, 28th Regt. 10st. 7lb. Station No. 1 .- "Elfin." -- Second Bow Mr. W. D. Harper ........ 10st. Olb. No. 3, Mr. A. B. Travers..... 

Station No. 2 .- "Victoria." -Third. Bow. Mr. M. Saunders, R.A..... 10st. 416. No. 2, Mr. T. W. Ginger......11st 61b. Stroke, Mr. J. S., Edger ...... . 10st, 91**b**. Cox. Mr. A. J. Lewis 1. 4. The heats started in perfect line and for three

hundred yards continued in this position, not a bow showing in front of the others. From this good length, the other two being still well to- reached across to the Chunghue mark at gether. Elfin at this time was pulling thirty-six strokes to the minute, Victoria thirty-five, and well indeed in such a breeze and jump, and kept.

Thistle thirty-three. Thistle, however, now her jib header aloft all the way. Naomi sent began to give way, and leaving Victoria behind gained on Elfin inch by inch, and came in winner had now a very commanding lead, and "bar by a third of a length after an exciting finish. flukes" had the race well in hand. The mark at

Time, 10 min. 37 sec. FOURTH RACE .- For Men of War Gigs and Whalers. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. No time allowed

modore Watson's Galley, H. I. G. M. B. Nantilus'. Gig, and H. M. S. Fly's Whaler, but only the lighter wind began to come back to Naomi no race, in accordance with the rule that in all spinnaker, which soon asserted its value, for under ases at least two boats should start. The China-its coaxing influence she slipped away once more men were evidently prepared to win, had their and got her winning gun at boat neatly blackleaded, and looked much disappointed when they found no competitors. They went away apparently not very much consoled by the assurance that "Alla man fear you too

Station No. 1, Mr. H. M. Schultz's "Lady Go. performance under the circumstances. Station No. 2, Mr. J. Edger's "Beaconsfield" 0 This, like the other sculling race, proved a walk over. When the boats had got about two hundred yards Edger fell over. He was pulling

very well, and had a slight lead at the time Schultz stopped and offered to start again, but the offer was not scooped; and Schultz went again decorated and conspicuous among them di-Loss of the French barque St. Joseph off on alone, he coast of Borneo, while on her voyage from - Sixth Back.—For House Boats \*\*\* Gigs pulled by Chinamen. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15, Second, \$5, Time for

Oars, 6 seconds per Oar.

Station No. 4, Mossra. Lane, Crawford & Co.'s tation No. 1. Commissariat Boat. Stution No. 2. Police Boat (The Bent). This was without exception the best race request. The band of the 28th Regiment was of the day. The boats were close together present and played the following programme:intil opposite filt. Lemenios's house, when Lane. Crawford & Co.'s boat started ahead, but she reached and the Best having worked shead was Solection .... leading by three quarters of a length and looked Galop ...... Tally-Ho

lost her lead, before the police station was Valse lst. Destrouve fire at Shanghai. Victoria like winning; Lane, Crawford & Co.'s dropped behind and appeared to be almost out of the race and onen boats in the early part of the afternoon but her men pulled up well towards the finish, and though it died away at times afterwards, and the Best's men being fagged out, the result the sailing proved interesting, and the fall of the lay between the Commissariat and the house windmade it better for the rowing races; the water. boats. The latter came in a clever winner by a was less lumpy during the latter part of the afterength: Time. 9min. 49sec.

held. Distance One Mile. Entrance 310. Station No. 2—Irish—"Shamrook,"—First. Bow, Mr. M. Saunders, R.A.....10st. 41b. Stroke, Capt. G. Conner, 28th Regtl. Ost. 71b. Cox, Paddy Ayow.... Station No. 1—Scotch—"Sylph."—Second Bow. Lieut. Walker, 28th Regt... 11st. 51b. No. 2. Mr. A. C. Reddio .......... 10st. 6lb. No. 3 Mr. Davidson

Stroke, Mr. McEwen Cox Mr. Lewis, the Scotch and Irish, the English being carried off the cup for the International race and SAILING RACE. For all open boats. Chinese unable to make a crew, and it was only at the last two other caps, she was specially complimentary, excluded. Entrance \$2. First Prize. \$20 moment that the Scotch were got together, and said that Irishmen were always to the front, The boats Rested in good order, the Scotch whereupon three obeers were given for the gallant Station No. 3, Sailors' Home No. 1........... having the outside station. They kept well to- Captain, and the Chairman then called for one Station No. 1, Mr. Bremner's rether as far as the Police Station, when Paddy for his country, which was heartily given. All Station No. 4, Sailors' Home No. 2 Yow's men spurted shead, and when opposite the prizes having been presented, the Secretary Station No. 2, Messrs, Lane, Crawford & Co.'s the Naval Coal Shed they were leading by three [Mr. Dudley C. Travers] called for three cheers | Station No. 5. Messrs. Blackhead & Co.'s. lengths. They continued to increase their lead, for Mrs. Jackson, and these were supplemented Station No. 6, H.M.S. Nassau's whaler and came in easy winners by about six lengths. by a cheer for the Chairman. Cheers were then Station No. 7. Yesso's cutter

rig. Entrance 32. First Prize, 320; Second U.S. Monocacy's Cutter (post entry).... H.M. Naval Yerd'e Gig H.M.S. Victor Emanuel's Gig H.M.S. Nassau's Whaler...

H.M.S. Audacious' Launch Arethusa... H.M.S. Victor Emkanel's Galley..... H.M.S. Fly's Whaler H.M.S. Audacious, Cutter Snowdrop H.M.S. Andocious' Cutter

Eight boats started at 1.45 and all yot away vell except the Arethuss, who had some difficulty in getting off the the buoy, but after a little delay she followed the others. In the first part of the race there was light wind and calms, in the latter part a good all-sail breeze. The times of nishing were as follow:---

Monococyle cutter 4 8 Naval Yard gig ..... 4 30 Victor Emanual's gig 4: 43 Nassau's whaler 45 SAILING RACE .- For Merchant Ship's boats any rig. Entrance \$1. First prize; \$20: Second Echo's..... Great Admiral's

Mangerton's -Cresswell's Birker's
Amie Florence's Colorado's Clars Glenisla's Ten boots started with a light brooze at 1.20 Nearly all the boats gave up in the early part of the race. The first and becoud times of finishing were:—Namoa's 4 hours 5 minutes. Echo's 4 hours 35 minutes. We understand that a protest has been entered against the Namon's boat on account of its being a cleamer's boat the race

being only for sailing ships boat.

day and out-rigged Boots excluded. Station No. 1, Police (The Beat) Station No. 2, 28th Regiment, G. Company (Shamrook)

the finish, but did not succeed, the police winning by half a length. Time 8min. 23sec SECOND RACE -For House Boats of Gigs pulled by Chinamen. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. Winner of Sixth Bace on first day excluded. Time for

of "The Chairman's Clip" excluded.

Yaone Rack For all Yaohts Entrance \$5. Time allowed for Tonnage, 18 seconds per ton. Cino Presented Station No. 1) Mr. J. McLeod's cutter Naiad. Station No. 2, Mr. W. H. Forbas's cutter 2 Station No. 3, Mr. C. V. Smith's cutter

Wave 22 tons

the commencement. Apili fell over, and Travers . The course for the yachts was from abreast the broke his strotcher. Mr. Aplin was picked up flagship Sunda westwind round a mark boat y offe of the soldiers boats and sustained no near Cow-e-chow, thence round a make boat of thing worse than the ducking, which however, Chunghie and back to the Sunday twice round. must have been rather uncomfortable on such a Time allowance fifteen ecoonds per ton. All had ib-headed topsails and spinnakers on bowsprit SECOND RACE. For Gigs pulled by European end, Naomi slipped away, with a good lend, Wave following smartly, Ariel being next in or. Victoria was pulling thirty-six to the minute. the mark boat off Chung Hue was as follows :der, and Naisd "whipping in." Naomi continued Coming to the Naval Yord Coalsheds Victoria to draw away all the trip down to Green Island, picked up a little, but Woodin's men were rowing

the river, eventually slipping through Wave's two lengths. Both crews pulled well. Time, lee and taking second place. Naomi took in her 10 min, 45 sec. topsail as the breeze hardened and lost some FOURTH RACK.—Senior Soulls. Cup presented time in the operation, to that at the mark she was not much shead. The times of rounding

In the reach scross to the Northern mark Naon just held her lend as will be seen by the time Naiad '

Naind now bogan to hont Naomi very closely Four-oared Canton Cutters. Distance One and crossing Regatta Bay she drew fast to win ward. The two boats still hung together asthey neared the home mark, Naied just shaving round ahead of the other. The first round of the course was completed-

> After gybing: Naied stole away from Naomi. Wave hanling well up to windward and looking three lengths. The wind fell shortly before this well if there should not be too much wind as they | race and the water was much better for sculling opened out the bay, as she made dead sure of the than on Friday. The race was a very pretty mark before checking sheets. A regular "piper." one. Time 10min. 22seo however, came down as the boats neared the FIFTH RACE .- For Men of War Cuttors, turning point. Naied going along in a perfect "smother," but going 'nevertheless, and Naomi

point Elfin began to draw shoud, and when op- Naind still stuck to her topsail, and with her lee posite the police station had secured a lead of a deck under water protty nearly to the counting hers up again as she neared Churghue, but Naiad

Chunghue was rounded-There were three entries for this, viz., Com- After rounding all sent appropriates on bowsprife for the reach home, and Naind running into a first named turned up, and there was consequently trifle, but her crew noticing this, set a second

e were unable to time Ariel at the differen FIFTH RACE. LADIES' PURSE." For Single marks, but she gallantly held on in spite of sail Pair Scalling Boats - Distance One Mile ing a hopeless stern chase, and finished the

second round at 3h. 55m., an exceedingly good

SECOND DAT.—Dec. 22nd. The sports on this day were conducted under the cheering influence of the sunshine and every one present appeared thoroughly to enjoy themselves. Most of the merchant ships in port were was the Gaelic, whose display of bunting was profuse. There was a rather larger company on on flagship than on Friday, and amongst those present in the early part of the afternoon was His Excellency the Governor. A few dances. were got up, and this stimulus to circulation was rendered particularly enjoyable by the cold

brooze, for notwithstanding the sun it was very chilly on the flagship, and wraps were in great Brise des Nuits Tausend and sine Nechts 'Strauss. 

There was a good sailing breeze for the yachts noon than on Friday. The yacht race could not SEVENTH RACE International Race. "Chal- be finished by six o'clock and consequently no lenge Cup."-presented by the Merchants of prize will be awarded, although the Naiad Hongkong for Four-Oard Canton Cutters, rounded the winning mark at a quarter past six. To be won two consecutive years before being. The sailing race for open boats was an exciting event, a fair number of the sailers coming up to the winning post in pretty close order. The

club, for his generosity;

Second, \$5. Winner of Second Race on first The Nassau's Monocacy's and Yease's boats, did | cluded-

Only two boats started for this race, the second Shamrock's No. 2 lost his oar at the second stroke, which gave the police a lead of nearly a the Danish bark Assens, Blackhead's boat went longth. The boats continued in this order until to the fore, leaving Lane, Crawford's in the Yow man ten village was passed, when the soldiers began to pull up and came, almost level with the leader. The police however, again drew forward and sacceeded in placing a length between themselves and the red jackets when within a couple of hundred yards of the winning post: The goldiers made a desperate struggle at

Oars, 6 seconds per Oar. Station No. 3. Commissariat Boat (6 oars) Station No. 1, Police, The Beat, (6 oars) The Commissariat took the lead at the com- Bailors. Home boat No. 2 caught a breeze and

THIRD BACE. Members Cup" presented by Tear boats after laying for some time got Naomi, the time being Members of The Victoria Recreation Club close up. bringing the fot hearly together. for Four Oared Canton Cutters. Distance Blackhood's boat was the first to catch a Naind.
One mile and a half. Entrance \$10. Winner breeze which appears up. She, with Salors' Naoni

Station No. 1 - Elfin. - First. Bow, Mr. W. D. Hurper No. 2, Mr. A. O. Reddie No. 8, Mr. A. K. Travers 12st. 716. Stroke Mr. E. L. Woodin. 12st/61b. Cox. E. Tye (Chinese) Station No. 2 - Victoria - Second-Bow, Mr. M. Saunders, B. A. No. 2, Mr. T. W. Ginger ... No. 3. Mr. C. V. Smith. Stroke, Mr. J. S. Edger

after the start and at the mile boat was leading by Bast, and shortly diterwards the other boats half a length and giving way. Opposite the Police filled, the Nassan's boat being last When within Station she had ingreased her lead to a length and a mile of the second mark Boat Sallors' Home No. at the finish of the village was a good two lengths | I set her save all, evidently determined to keep all ahead pulling thirty-two strokes to the minute. the wind she could natch: The time of rounding when suddenly discovering the mark well away well within themselves. Opposite the Barranks on her weather bow, she handed her spinraker and Edger's men put on a very good spurt, increasing houled up sharp on a wind. Naied had menutime their stroke to thirty-eight to the minute, and passed Ariel and drawing up fast on Wave began | decreased Ellin's lead to half a length, but Woodin to feel the weight of the fresh breeze blowing down held his men safe and came in a good winner by. The wind freshened and remained steady after

> Purse " excluded. Station No.2, Mr. J. S. Edger (Beaconsfield) Station North Mr. G. P. Rickard (Lady

way together the instant the gun fired, soon drew to the front and pulled in good sty his distance while Richard kept his course remarkably well until close on the finish. little past the Police Station Edger had a sufficient lead to cross his opponent's and be came out from the inside station to the ontside. Rickerd picked up considerably leaving the village and brought the boats wearly level but Edger andin shoved forward and managed to cross the course to his own station again, running a chance of a foul in doing so. Rickard hung on well and the contest was a close one towards the finish, but Rickard made a foul back. stroke and deviated from the straight line he had hitherto kept. Edger came in winner by about

tance One Mile. Entrance S1. First Prize. \$15. Second, \$5. No time allowed for Oars. finding her lee dock water too much for her, took Station No. 1. H.M.S. Victor Emanuel's cutter (14 cars.) in her topsail again. They hauled round the Station No. 2, H.M.S. Tamar's 1st outter Station No. 3, H.M.S. Tamar's 2nd outter

distance but the Victor Emanuel's greater crept away from the others, winning by about Friday, or rather was supposed to be, but the the first opportunity. The chief officer, with great pace. Wave was all the time doing very four lengths. The race was a close one between stiff N.W. breeze blowing through the Throat the two European passengers and crew, took the Tamar's boats, but No. I steadily pained Gates made it impossible for the mark boat to passage by the Mactan back to the ship where

> SIXTH RACE.—For Officers of H.M.S. Auda-Entrance \$10. Station No. 1 -- "Audecious," -- First., No. 2. Mr. H. Hart .....9st. 10lb No. 3. Mr. H. Knox Stroke, Lieut. J. E. Goddrich ... 10st. 12lb ..8st. Əlb Cox. Mr. L. Browning. Station No. 2.—"Fleet."—Second.

Bow, Mr. G. Gubbins, H.M.S. Swinger 10st. No. 2, Mr. W. T. Anson, H.M.S. Vigilant No. 3. Mr. G. V. Rashleigh, H.M.S. Fly Stroke, Mr. E. D'O Alpin, H.M.S. Vigilant. 11st. 6lb. lox, Liout. W. C. C. Forsyth, H.M. S. Fly

This was a vary close race, the boats keeping well in line, and pulling nearly stroke for stroke. for a great part of the way. At the start the Audacious men pulled thirty-nine strokes to the minute and the Fleet forty: towards the close both had dropped to thirty-six. The Audacious men pulled together much better than the Fleet's who wanted a little more training to give them more uniform style. The Audacions drew lead, although a trifle to leeward of the other, ahead on leaving the village, and won after a but in spite of this disidenting she walked

SEVENTH RACE.—" American Cup," open to all Members and Honorary Members of the Victoria Recreation Club, to be rowed in Canton Fours. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$10. Station No. 3.—"Thiatle,"—First. No. 2, Lieut, Walker, 28th Rogt. 11st. 5lb. No. 3. Mr. A. K. Trayers....... 12st. 7lb. Stroke, Capt. G. Conner, 28th Regt. 10st. 711 Cox, Mr. Rickard ...... 8st. 6lb. Station No. 1,—"Sylph,"—Second. Bow, Mr. C. V. Smith.......11st. 61b. No. 2 Mr. J. A. Blogg....

No. 3. Mr. C. G. Hirst. .....13st. 11lb. Stroke, Mr. H. M. Schultz. .13st 12lb 6st 10ll Cox. A vow. Station No. 2.—"Elfin."—Third. No. 2. Lieut. Coker No. 3, Mr. Davidson 12st. 71b. 

one exception having been reduced to matches it was a treat to see three boats come forward. Jout," and the two boats were in a stark calm rowing events were nearly all reduced to matches. Thistle pulled, easily at first and allowed the within whispering distance of each other. A but as they were well contested there was no tother two, who kept even, to get a little ahead, small streak of air catching Ways's light canvas, deadness about them. The Thistle was again to but opposite the Police Station she came up. At she drew up on Naind's weather, and the same return home; and that the Taotai Li. who is at the front. This boat has won all the races she the end of the village Elfin fell behind and was zephyr filling Naiad's spinnakers she also began entered for and the Recreation Club is much in- never able to recover her lost ground. At the to move, and the most miraculous part of the France, will act for him. debted to Mr. Gillies, who presented it to the coal sheds Conner had a lead of half a length. fluke was that while both she and Wave actually Sylph had sheered in and was giving Elfin, whom drow past Naomi, the latter never got the small-On the conclusion of the programme the she was leading by a length, backwash, causing prizes were presented on board the flag ship by Elfin to fall further behind. Thistle came in Mrs. Jackson, the Charman's wife, who con- winner of a tight race by two lengths and a half, gratulated the winners on their success in a Woodin put on a good spart at the close, but it This event was reduced to a match between pleasant manner "To Captain Connor, who was too late to do any good. Time Smin. 29sec.

Second \$10.

One Mile. Entrance SI. First Prize, SI5 No. 2, Namon's boat on the starboard tack, was second boat past. The first round was connot get their start so quickly. The Monocacy's No. I went too far to leeward, and when about

> and commenced to beat to windward. When some reason she went too far to leaward and commenced to lose ground. When abreast of rear. The wind then dropped leaving all the boats perfectly still for nearly ten minuted, when it came up again from the North East. The Sailors' Home boat was the first to fill and went by Lane, Crawford's boat. The time of rounding

200 yanls from the start she saw her mistake

Blackhead's Sailors' Home No. 2 2 31 80 Lane Crawford's ....... 2 34 50 Bremner's 2 40 00 Yesso's ..... Namoa's The others were too far behind to time. Nov

the first mark beat off Green Island was as

mencement and increased it all the way winning went ahead about four distances from Blackhead's easily by four lengths. The time was better by boat, but she would not keep her lead long as the seventeen seconds than in the last race. Time, wind dropped again, and all the foremost boats got in the doldrums for about an hour. The Chunghue flagboat nearly five minutes ahead

could not stop there long as Mr. Bromner's evident that in spite of her game efforts it was caught a good stiff breeze which sprung up, and "no go." The dranked on, however, in hopes of almost flew away. The Bailors Home No. I screwing in sefere six o'clock but all this time had been fortunate enough to keep do it, and consequently the match will have to a rattling breeze with her and wharming away Cox Mr A J Lewis ...... Bst. Clb from all the others. The Yesso's and Mono-Him showed to the front almost immediately escy's No. I had a breeze from the North

Sailors' Home No. 1: Monockoy's No. I..... 4 18 15 Sailors' Home No. 2 ...... 4 19 17 The remainder were two far behind to time

rounding. Mr. Bremner's bost was handled well in turning, doing all her best to win. The Monocooy a No. 1 after rounding set a jib, but by the Parsee Community. Distance One she did not keep it up flong as she found it Mile, Entrance 35. Winner of the Ladies of no use. The Sailors Home No. 2, now gained considerably on the leaders. She was heeling over so much that she had to shift her THE DISASTER TO THE STEAMSHIF ballast and hang it on hor weather side to bring her up. If the course had been longer she would A capital start was made, both boats getting have won as she was gaining fest on the two first boats. She and Mr. Bremner's boats were well matched. The Sailor's Home No. 1 had a very but steered all over the course, greatly increasing, warrow escape of losing the race as the was making for the port side of the flug-ship instead of the

starboard, but some person on board signalled to

hertogo on the other side. She immediately set a

square headed topsail and after some good hand-

ling sheered round and came in the winner limin.

20sec shead of Mr. Bremner's boat. The order of finishing was Sailors' Home No. 1 Sailors' Home No. 2..... 4 50 00 Monconcy's No. 1...... not timed Lane Crawford's

State on No. 4, Mr. J. McLeod's Catter Naied.

Nassau's whaler.....

Naomi 26 tons Station No. 3, Mr. C. V. Smith's Cutter Wave. 22 tons The boats kept in close company for half the Station No. 1, Mr. H. Dickie's Cutter Ariel; 7 tons number of cars begun gradually to tell and she The course was the same as that laid down on and were to be forwarded to Hongkong by

Station No. 2, Mr. W. H. Forbes' Cutter

until she came in a length shead. Time, 9 min. anchor so far out in the open, and she was disco- they arrived on the 19th altimo at 7.30 p.m. cious against Fleet in harbour. Cup presented away by a brig anchored to windward of the line, Flintshi e left next morning for Hongkong, and by the Members of the Hongkong Club, to be who have up his "mud-hook" and quietly drove was making water during the whole time. rowed in Canton Fours. Distance One Mile down a top of Ariel and Naomi, who had in con- and the steam and hand numps were kept Going through the harbour she found the wind period of the unfortunate mishap. too shy for the "spar-breaker," and after two or three tries, ultimately handed it. Naomi, thinking it looked healthier on the north shore, went found on the port tack, and Naisd followed suit shortly afterwards. Wave holding on and screwing up to windward as the little-bost can in smooth water. Naomi soon had enough of going north for a chance, and went about again, the entire managage having proved a mistake and transposing her from the windward to the lesward place in the trio. Arie was dropping astern, and as the leaders opened out the bay they began to travel at a pace which completely extinguished the chances of the little one. Naomi was going at a great rate. Wave doing extremely well with Naind and looking higher; indeed when the breeze freshened and Naiad drew past her she had to do so to leeward. Naomi had all this time been recling off quite a

close contest by two lengths. Time, 8 min. 171 up and fetched the mark clean to windward of them. This was the best part of the match as far as true sailing was concerned for all had as much wind as they could carry lower canvas to, topsails having been taken in and topmasts housed off Belcher's Bay. When Naomi tacked for the mark she had over-reached somewhat, and Najad seeing how easily her opponent could do it, went overen a abem bus saidmars act v the mark. The times were—

Naomi 2 19 30 Najad 2 21 60 Ariel was here so far astern that the umpire was unable to take her time. In the lay for the Chunchue mark all sent up topmast and topsail began to fall lighter, until at last Nalad began

to get unpleasantly near Naomi. The mark was rounded in a very light air at-Natomi 2 47 30 After some delay in getting the boats together Wave 2 48 40 a good start was made. All the other events with After getting round all sent up spinnakers, but the wind had by this time completely "petered est breath of the wind, although there could not have been fifty feet between them and her. After She sailed from Manila on the 23rd November, they had drawn clear of Naomi, Naiad and Wave with a cargo of hemp for Sydney. On the 27th, got quite a nice little breeze off the S.W. point of Stone-cutter's Island, and heading for the doro a fire broke out and she was burnt to the flagship with spinnakers on bowsprit were going water's edge. four or five knots, whilst Naomi got jammed

of the irtimeand had put fully half a mile between than 32.43 inches of rain fell. The rainfall for thourselves and Naomi, but as they neared the 1877 though not excessive, was slightly over the have a specified state of the specified state Fame, lent by the Dock Company, and as the down to a best off Green Island, thence to the land as the best were now heading all ways in the munificent sum of \$10,000, Messrs. Simssen steam-tug left for the share bleers were given mark boat off Chung Hue back to the Sunda, the very lightest of sire it looked smost hopeless. & Co. are down for a handsome subscription; the for the Sunda and her commander, Captain leaving that vessel on the port side, keeping all but the wind having at last made up its mind remaining names are Chinese. So for, \$10,79 Reeves. The Sunda replied with a gun, her flags other mark boats on the starboard hand. Ten boats that it would blow from the northward for a has been collected, but this will and doubt be con started with a light west-north westerly wind spell, the three boats hauled up once more and sidembly increased by European sabscriptions. FIRST BACE. For Gigs pulled by European at 1h. 32m p.m. Lane, Crawfords and Co.'s set spinnskers again on bowsprits for the reach Non-Commissioned Officers and men of any boat was the first to get underweigh, followed across Regatta Bay to the home mark. Naind Regiment or Corps in Garrison, or by Euro by Mr. Bremner's, Sailors Home's No. 2, Black- got the best of this, and Wave very cleverly went pean Members of the Police Force. Distance head's, Sailers' Home No. 1, and the Monocacy's through Naomi's lee close on the mark, so that

> Going down westward the second time Naiad remained about seventeen hours. Upon the tideabreast of the Hawaiian brig Elise, Lane and Naomi got down spinnaker booms and set making again the Walmor Castle floated and Crawford's boat had a good lead, but for double spinnakers. Wave contenting herself proceeded to an anchorage, though showns with one on bowsprit. Naomi drew past Wave making 4c inches of water per nour. and again took second place, the mark being

> > Naomi ---As soon as Naind could weather the mark she backed and stood over towards Hongkong, Naomi following her example, but Wave held on with out breaking tacks, and made a mistake thereby. for the others got the full strength of the flood tide and when they backed off Beloher's Bay, could nearly fetch the northern mark. Nacmi

took in topsail and housed topmast for the short thrash to windward, but Naiad and Wave both kept their jib beadors aloft and apparently were not over pressed. Naiad travelled faster at this: point than at any other time during the match. and sailing in magnificent form was increasing her lead considerably; off Green Island the two leaders met the little Ariel tunning lown for the Cow-e-chow mark; and the was timed at round? ing it 5h. 14m. 30sec; just thirden minutes and ten seconds behind. Wave. Naisd possed the

Home No. 2, got too far to the leeward not far Wave was a long way astern and Ariel was hull and sung by the Roman Cotholic

from Cowe obow Island. The Sailors Home down to the westward. It www became a No. 1 and the Monococy's No. 2 were well to question whether Naisa coursel off the grante wixilward, whilst all the others were huddled to. the winning mark in twent six minutes and a gether. Monogacy boat, No. I which was about half, and watches were cagoly consulted as sho six distances astern of Bronner a boat, caught a filled away on the home streen, but the wind breeze and got abreast of the latter, but fell lighter again and in Regutta Bay it because

be re-sailed on a day hereafter to be fixed. two ledders passed the mark Bome of the merchant ship captains in harbour went on board the British bark Alphington,

o see the regntta, but they took it in their heads to have a regatta amongst themselves on both days; which they did, the course being from the Alphington round the Black Prince and back. Heveral races were pulled, and they seemed to have enjoyed themselves on board. In closing the notice of the regattor it is bu right to add that thanks are due to the P. & O. Company for the use of their steamer Swide for the flag-ship, and to the Hongkong and Whamioa Dock Company, who placed their steam-tugame at the disposal of the committee for cong veyance of the guests to sad from the flag-ship

"FLINTSHIRE."

The steamship Flintshire arrived here on the 24th alt. from Singapore, which port she left on the 29th November at six c'olook p.m. She experionced find weather with light winds through the Palawan bassage, until the 6th ult., when at about seven o'clock p.m. she struck upon the Scarborough Shoal. The engines were reversed. but without any effect. The captain than went in one of the boats and took soundings. The foremast part of the steamer was fast on the shoal, whilst the stern was found to be affeat, and in such a position it was feared sho would break her back. Anchors and onbles were nutout and an endeavour made to haul her off. They also threw out the ballast and carro but all their offerts were of no avail. On the morning of the 9th the whole shoal was quite dry, and the captain with some of the passengers and crew were

walking upon it. On that day Mr. F. Sminton,

chief officer, Professor Thorns, Mr. Morran, 10 Chinese (passengers), five Europeans and two YACHT RACE. For all Yachts Entrance \$5. Chinese (crew), and three firemen proceeded Time allowed for Tonnage, 15 seconds per ton, in the lifeboat to Manila for assistance. They Cup, presented by the Victoria Recreation had a good supply of food. On the 14th ult. they sighted the Spanish brig Victoria, whereupon they immediately hoisted the English ensign reversed, but the brig did not see them. After being in the boat for seven days and seven nights. they landed in Manila on the 16th ultime. The chief officer immediately went to the British 3 Consul, who made arrangements for the Spanish steamer Mactan to go to the Flintshire. The 4 mails and ten Chinese passengers were landed The Mactan after towing off the Flintshire and Some delay was caused in getting the boats standing by two hours left for Manila. The sequence to slip and "clear out." It was twenty working day and night till her arrival here.

minutes past one before the whistle from the She experienced from the Sheal a strong startor's launch despatched the yachts in a fair gale from the North-east and a very heavy sea. sailing breeze, all carrying plain sail with jib. which carried away two sails and her fore guff. headed topsails. Naiad being the last to get fairly The passengers speak very highly of the conduct started adding a spinnaker on bowsprit end. of the captain and officers throughout the entire

> ANTI-CHRISTIAN DEMONSTRATION IN FORMOSA.

A MISSIONARY'S LIFT THE EATENED. The steamer Hailoong, which arrived here from the coast ports on the 22nd ultime. brought the following information from Tamsui. On the 15th ultime, at a place called Banka, about ten miles from the port of Tamsui, a mob of upwards of two thousand Chinese assembled and attacked the Chapel of the Canada Presbyterian Mission, which they pulled down, at the same time threatening the Rev. G. L. Mackay the missionary in charge, that they would kill him unless he immediately left the city. Mr. Mackay fearlessly, confronted the mob. and told them that he was well awars they could easily carry their threat into execution if they chose to do so, but he was not afraid of them, and he would not depart. Hearing of the disturbance and the threats that had been uttored by the infuriated mob. the British Coisul an-

led to the Tamsui Ting to protect Mr. Mackay against further violence, but the Ting having only one hundred soldiers to protect his yamen, said he could not spare any men, and he therefore begged Mr. Mackay to leave the place for round and weathered the flag comfortably, get- the present. This Mr. Mackay stoutly refused ting thereby a good "pull." Wave also profited to do, and he was still in Banka when the Hai-Wang left Tamsui. The trouble is said to have

originated out of some quarrel between the Chinese teachers or members belonging to the Mission and the literati.

HONGKONG.

The Christmas and New Year holidays have interfered somewhat with the course of business. They have been celebrated in the usual manner. The weather has been very changeable, and yesterday was exceedingly moist muggy, warm, and unpleasant. The oldest inhabitant fails to remember such weather at this time of year. The Egeria, 4, screw sloop, Commander A. L. Douglas, is under orders and will probably leave this port about the second week in January for Shanghai and Nagasaki. The Sin-pao mentions that the Chinese Mini-

ster to Germany. Liu, has obtained have to present acting in a representative capacity in The captain and crew of the German Larken tine Johann Rudolph have arrived at Manila and report the total loss of that yessel by barning.

when seven miles southwest of Sablayan, Min-The total rainfall for the year 1877 in this and would not come round. This state of things Colony, according to the returns published in the lasted for some time, and it was fully ten Gazette was 77.24 inches compared with 104.02 minutes before the unfortunate Naomi gathered inches in 1876. July was the wettest month way and not her jib topsail fairly set and draw-last year, its rainfall being 17.72 inches; in 1876 ing. The other two had been making the best use the wettest months was August, when no less

> We learn that the British ship Walmer Castle, bound from Cardiff to Estavia and Samarang with a cargo of coal, went ashore outside the latter port on the 7th or 8th October last. She was some twelve miles distant from Samarang and was steering direct for port whin she suddenly heeled over to larboard. Soundings were taken immediately, but the tide was abbing rapidly and left the ship aground, where the A court martial was held on board of H.M.S.

Victor Hmanuel on the 27th ultimo, before a court composed as follows :- Captain Browning. H.M.S. Tamar (President) Francis Durrant, H.M.S. Audacous Captain R. H. Napier H.M.S. Nassan; Commanders E. J. Church, H.M.S. Curlew; and John Bruce, H.M.S. FLY: on Thomas Skedge, able seamon on HM.S. Growler, for insubordination to his superior officer on the 12th November on his skip. Paymenter E. De H. Whiddon noted as indge advocate.—The prisoner pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to two years' hard labour, the first seven days in each month to be kept in solitary

Christmas Day was observed as holiday throughout the Colony and the splendid weather with which we were then favoured was highly favourable to the enjoyment of the festival. Most of the slips in latiour were dressed and decorations were to be mit with in various parts of the town. There were the usual services at John's Cathedral and at St. Poter's Charon. On Christmas Eye high mass was cele-brated in the Roman Catholic Cathedral at mice.

night by Bishop Raimondi. A midnight mass was also celebrated in St. Francis Chap. Spring Cardens, by the Rev. Falter Vigan.

o'clock p.m. on the 23th ultime. It turned During your stay here you have commerced out to be in a fishlan in Un on lane, where the esteem of all classes, native and foreign, and some smale and rubbish had cought fire, had you been willing to do so, we should have The engines were got out but their services sought to retain you in our midst to conduct the were not required, would having when they services and act as minister to the European were about half way that the free had boon residents.

tinguished by the West Point firemen,

under the superintendence of Inspector Crad- Christian church, we have listened with the dock, with buckets of water. All the men from greatest pleasure and benefit to your discourses, the Station, and water police were on their way affording, as they have always done, matter for to the fire, with Mr. Falconor, when it was re-reflection apart from the elequence and learning ported the fire was extinguished. It would have you have brought to bear upon them; and with been a serious configration if it had not been full knowledge of difference on some of the tenets discovered at once; as it was, a considerable whereby the varied Christian sects are distinnumber of mats were burnt and the rafters of guished, we have never failed to derive some prothe louse charred and burnt through in it from the hours we have spent in attention to some places. A man belonging to the shop your teachings. said that he saw a man, whom he did not "It is to be deployed that you should be withknow, push some lighted paper through the drawn from a field in which you promised to be bars on to the mats. He removed the fire from of such great utility both as a labourer among

The darm was then given. Ferdinand sighted, in latitude 2147 N., longi speedily return. titude 119.57, a Chinese junk in distress. She "In the meantime, we beg your acceptance, as at once beat about and got within speaking a slight return for your labours among us, and as. distance, when the captain lowered a bout and avery inadequato testimony of the high esteem in boarded the junk. They then found the junk which your are universally held by high and low, had lost her main most and rudder. There were the accompanying souvenir of the many friends thirty Chinese on board, whom they took back to you leave behindyou. theship, supplied all their wants, and brought them ! CHALONER A LABASTER, H.B.M. Consul on here, where they craived on the 26th ult. The And 38 residents in the Consular, Customs, following is a translated statement by one of the and Merchant Services."

Formesa loaded withrice for Amov, and carrying members of the Chinese churches spontaneously nineteen passengers, besides a crew of fourteen, and immediately addressed several letters to the All wont well until the 23rd ult. when a strong Directors of the London Missionary Society; experfectly helpless. We laid tossing about addresses received upwards of a hundred signauntil moon on the 2th ultimo, when we sighted tures of members of the church with which Mr. a white bark bearing up for us. The people Duke has been connected in the city of Amoy. on that ship, when they got within any distance I am informed that it is very uncertain when of the junk, lowered's boat and took us on board, Mr. Dukes will return, of whether he will return where we received every attention, our wants at all. were cared for, and we were brought on to

Hongkong; where we arrived to day." Her Majesty's troopship Tamer, Captain Brownigg, from Pertsmouth on the 13th Oct., to Hongkong about three lahks of treasurewith reliefs for the Lapuning, Egeria, Vigilant, surplus Bankers' funds. The season's exchange and My, arrived here on the 20th ult, at half-past | business, with the exception of small transsix p.m. Her dates are Kingstown Oct loth, actions, may therefore be considered closed. Department for the coming Season, we invite an the Audacious Lieutenant F. H. Davies, As- This "Terror to Western Nations" has always sisting ofsistant Paymaster F. P. Pearce. For the Lap- | been a kind of white elephant in the hands of her | NEW WOOL and WORSTED COATINGS, wing—Commander W. G. Scott; Lieutenants— enlightened and enterprising owners, by whom W. L. Bignold, R. E. Leslie, and Gray; Staff- she was mutilated in her infancy, in order that re-Surgeon Thomas T. Riorden, Assistant-Pay- cognised modern principles of marine architecture master Robert McLcod; Engineers-Arthur | might be refuted by the inventive genius of a Shanks and W. J. Pettit, Gunner J. Hull. For Franco-Chinese conclave. As she now stands or the Egeria-Navigating-Lieutenant. B. Moody, rather as she nowsits on the placid Min river the is Paymaster Horatio W. P. Koogstra; Engineers | neither very ornamental nor very useful. In truth -P. Ebkford and H. Laughrin, Gunner John she is architecturally more dangerous to friend Kirby. For the Vigilant-Lioutenant-Com- than foe. Her capacity for rolling, even in commander W. M. Annesley, Lieutenant T. F. paratively smooth water, is said to be something when the Choicest Goods were in the Market Thomas, Staff Surgeon G. Robertson, Chief- fearful to contemplate, while all idea of working we confidently solicit your Orders. Engineer C. Ware, Engineer W. T. Goldie. For her guns at sea would, we are assured, be out of the Fly-Commander McNeill, Lieutenants G. question. No great astonishment need therefore Druryand J. C. Roughton; Surgeon J. Jennings, be expressed when it is made known that the Assistant-Paymaster S. Crooke; Engineers-J. Mamoi Arsenal authorities are now seriously B. Thompson, and J. F. Lowis; Boatswain S. debating the advisability of docking and over-Hicks. Also Liout. Commander Paul (late of the | hauling this naval monstresity. They might

Marchand and Lee (warrants). The Tamer Celestial conceit, the only practical and to which arrived here eight days before the government | she is adapted .- Foothow Herald. time. One birth and one death occurred on the We understand that the 28th Regiment will leave here on Saturday for Singapore, a telegram containing an order to that effect having been received here on the morning of the 28th ultimo. and that the 74th Highlanders, Limit. Colone William Kolty M'Leod, will arrive here in due course as the relief. The Tamar, at present in the harbour, will probably be utilised for the purpose of transport, but she will take away two-thirds of the regiment and sixteen officers at first, and bring back the 74th, when the remainder of the 28th will depart. It is stated that the reason of this sudden manoenvre is the unhealthy condition of the regiment, but we believe that the greater number of deaths that have taken place have been from other than climatic causes, and that the mortality during the stay of the regiment in Hongkong has not been excessive. The fever acquired at Kowloon was not confined to the military, as every family -without exception-residing there was visited more or less, and in some households every individual had been attacked. The cause was discovered in the laying bare of a large area of new ground, a certain agent for producing fever in this place, as has been proved in parts of the World, at CURRENT RATES. many instances. We therefore, do not believe there is an atom of truth in the statement that Shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS of the the regiment is to be removed on account of Underwiting Business will be annually disbeen made the peg on which to hang its removal; proportion to the premium paid by them. at all events to take troops from Hongkong to of deligible as a samurum in the month of January is simply the height of felly; and we cannot belp thinking that there are other in. fluences at work with regard to the removal of the regiment which are neither creditable to the

### CHINA. CANTON. FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT. 20th December.

knowledge or the wisdom of the home autho-

The person and property of an official are generally pretty safe from robbory in China, but not always. The thieves in this city are daring enough for almost anything. The other day a petty military officer who went to witness a reigidus procession in Sai Chew had his cap snatched from his head by the profuse hand of a street thief. Some pearls attached to it caught | MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COM. the eve of the robber. Gambling is still about as rife as ever in Canton, and every now and then quarrels arising out of their playoccur amongst the gamblers. The other day an affray of the sort took place near the Gate. of the Five Genii, when two men were mortally stabled. Their assailants intended to rob them, t appears. Three of the murderers have been arrested by the soldiers sent in pursuit. A rather remantic episode in Chinese life occurred a lew days age. A boat n had determined to give up a life of single sesselness and take to himself a wife. The day was fixed, the wedding feast propared, the ceremony was procoeding, when a band of pirates, who had moored their boat dongside for the express purpose of cap. turing bride and bridegroom, suddenly, to the con-sternation of the company, appeared on the scene. A great outery was raised and the pirates would have succeeded in their object, had not a guard boat, hearing the noise hastened to the resone, when the would-be like press decamped. Three of them were, however, eventually captured and placed in arrest. Incidents of this kind, owing the number of lawless spirits at large, are common in Kwangtung, and it is easy for a jealous

rival to interrupt the marriage ceremony by the aid of life ng ruffians. 23rd Decomber. News continues to arrive in the city of distess from scarcity in the province, and the Governor has extended the remission of half the duty upon rice for another month. The demand for rise consequent upon the famine has of course given rise to speculation among dealers, some of whom have been buying up all they could in order to raise the price to a

offenders are to be severely dealt with.

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smuggled or not. The wei-yuen objected GIBI to the search, as he was on special service. but the lekin officers refused to accept any ex-

the Januarile Choral Society under the direction hearing with great regret that you are about to leave Amoy, desire to express to you their sense An arm of fire was given shortly after eight of the loss they will suffer therein.

there. A few minutes after he found the next the Chinese and in cementing that good undercompartment, which was full of mats, on fire Islanding which should always exist between the lay communities and missionary bodies in China, On the 24th ult at noon, the German back and we can only hope, therefore, that you will

FOOCHOW. We notice that the steamship Douglas has taken

Mosquito), Captain and Mrs. More Lane, (28th save their money with advantage. In her present Regiment). Lieut. Pilkington, Mrs. Wood and scours anchorage she certainly serves as a beautichild, Engineer Price, and Brons (clerk), and ful specimen of a good model murdered by

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